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Autograph Catalogue

1. ADAIR, GENERAL JOHN. Governor of Kentucky. Served in the Revolutionary War, under St. Clair and Wilkinson against the Indians and defeated by the Miamis. Aid to Shelby at the Battle of the Thames 1813. Fine War A. L. S. to Governor Isaac Shelby. *"Altho I have been necessarily absent for some time from the State I have lost none of the feeling of a Kentuckian, every disaster our brave men have suffered from the Enemy has been severely felt by me, and I sincerely wish for an opportunity to avenge the loss of those I highly esteemed. . . . I cannot yet doubt of the compleat success of the Kentucky Men on anything like equal terms. Should your Excellency think proper to order out an expedition and will favor me with an opportunity of trying my fortune. I hope and trust you will not have cause to regret it. The Spirit of our Countrymen really needs something at this time to counteract the ill effects of repeated disasters,"* etc., etc. Folio. Mercer, May 18th, 1813. \$12.50

Fine Letter. Gen. Adair commanded the Kentucky Troops with much distinction at New Orleans.

2. ALDRICH, THOMAS BAILEY. Fine A. L. S. to Rossiter Johnson regarding a projected Biographical Series. *"I wish I could see my way clear to join your group of Blithe Biographers. With a Biographee who was in himself humorous (like ABRAHAM LINCOLN, for instance: the story of his death could be made finely pathetic without seeming in the least incongruous) I think I could do something fresh and entertaining. But I must deny myself the pleasure of giving even temporary shelter to the idea. I am at work on a Novel for the Atlantic, and when that is finished I shall be busy with a vol. of Travel Sketches and a new Collection of Short Tales,"* etc., etc. 2 pages, 8vo. Ponkapog, Oct. 10, 1879. \$12.50

The Works he refers as being engaged on were *"The Stillwater Tragedy"* and from *"Ponkapog to Pesth."*

3. ALDRICH, THOMAS BAILEY. Friendly gossiping A. L. S. to Lawrence Hutton telling him about a Cruise he and his Wife were taking off the Maine Coast. *"We have had a delightful Voyage, or rather a series of Voyages. On one of them Woodberry joined us, and we took Jefferson and Gilder on board for the N. Y. Yacht meet. . . . Mrs. T. B. A. and I and Company passed a pleasant day at Gray Gables with the President (Cleveland) and his lovely Wife and gave the Party a dinner on board the Yacht,"* 2 pp., 8vo. Yacht Hermione. Marblehead, Aug., 1896. \$6.50

4. ALEXANDER, JAMES. Came to America after the Scotch Rebellion of 1715. First Official Recorder of Perth Amboy, Surveyor General of New York and New Jersey. Disbarred for defending Peter Zenger the Printer. His son adopted the title of "LORD STIRLING" in the Revolution. Fine and important A. L. S. to his Friend LEWIS MORRIS, Governor of New Jersey, referring at length to the Crown Point Expedition against the French and Indians in 1755. . . . *"Governor Shirley and our Governor (Sir Charles Hardy) are both daily expected here; one of the Expresses should proceed by Water, there being two vessels to sail for Albany tomorrow morning and to speak to every vessel coming down. . . . I can assure that theres neither Arms nor Ammunition here belonging to the Crown and it was with great difficulty that Arms were got for the 800 men in the pay of this Province. . . . I am heartily sorry to hear of the Loss of Lives of so many of your people and the possibility of the French and Indians fixing themselves in your Province . . . it may be all for the better, whatever is is right and it may open the Eyes of your Province and induce it to join in the Common Cause,"* etc., etc. 2 pages, folio. New York, Nov. 4, 1755. \$27.50

A Rare and Important Old New York Autograph.

5. ALLEN, ETHAN. Famous Vermont patriot in the Revolution, Colonel of "The Green Mountain Boys." Original Autograph List in the handwriting of RICHARD VARICK, of the Soldiers in the Continental army taken prisoners at Montreal. Colonel Ethan Allen's name heads the List of the 23 prisoners whose places of abode Companies and Commanders names are also given. Allen himself was sent to England and imprisoned for several months. One page, folio. Sept. 25, 1775. \$75.00

Unique Vermont Revolutionary item. An interesting postscript at foot states N. B. *"King, Scott, Wentworth and Keyes are not to go."*

WITH THE AUTOGRAPHS OF THREE "SIGNERS," 1778

6. AMERICAN REVOLUTION. Manuscript Account rendered by William Whipple to Messrs. Adams and Company. Signed at end by SAMUEL ADAMS, ELBRIDGE GERRY and WM. WHIPPLE, the Signers, and also by S. Holden and James Lovell. The amount of the account for Wine, Cider, Spirits and other Necessaries totals 1760 Dollars the equivalent of £105.12.9 Massachusetts Currency. Nov. 2, 1778-Feb. 18, 1779. \$40.00

A very uncommon "Signers" Document.

7. AMERICAN REVOLUTION. Commission of David Coates as First Lieut. granted by the State of Massachusetts-Bay, July 4th, 1777. Signed by JOHN AVERY, JOHN TITCOMB, Col. of 2nd Regt., JER. POWELL, A. WOOD, W. SPOONER, JEDIDIAH PREBLE, JOHN WETCOMB, J. CUSHING, S. HOLTEN, J. FISHER, MOSES GILL, BENJ. AUSTIN, D. HOPKINS, TIMO. DANIELSON, H. GARDNER, J.

EDWARDS, N. CUSHING, OLIVER PRESCOTT and RALPH CROSS. 1 page, large quarto, with the seal of the State of Mass. Bay. Boston, 1777. \$40.00

Fine Collection of Massachusetts Revolutionary autographs.

8. ARNOLD, BENEDICT. Long A. L. S. from Arnold's second Wife, Margaret Shippen, one of the three Beautiful Daughters of Edward Shippen, Chief Justice of Pennsylvania and Leader of the Tories of Philadelphia. A beautifully expressed Letter requesting her sister's Brother, Mr. Burd to procure her certain evidence from Mr. Lewis, Benedict Arnold's Counsel, necessary to successfully contest a suit on a note for Two thousand pounds sterling. The Arnolds at the time of writing were living in Nova Scotia and she says *"Our accounts from England breathe nothing but War; how far it will affect this infant settlement, it is difficult to determine, but we more than ever regret leaving England. We feel a little anxious to know what part the Americans will take, though it is generally supposed that good policy will dictate to them to remain neuter,"* etc., etc. 4 pages, 4to. St. Johns, 1790. \$35.00

A Rare and very fine Autograph, by one of the most Prominent Women Actors in the Revolution.

9. ARNOLD, BENEDICT. One of the most distinguished of all the American Officers in the Revolutionary Army in the first three years of the War. Conspired with Clinton and André to deliver over the Hudson River Defenses to the British. Afterwards fought on their side in Virginia and the West Indies. D. S. Receipt signed "B. ARNOLD" for £1510.10.0 for 30,200 pounds of Fresh Beef supplied to the British Soldiers at Martinique, W. I. With numerous other Official Signatures. 2 pp., folio. St. Pierre, Martinique, Feb. 26, 1795. \$45.00

An interesting Relic of one of the Greatest Tragedies of the Revolution.

"THE BIRDS OF AMERICA"

10. AUDUBON, JOHN JAMES. Most famous of all American Naturalists. Very fine and characteristic A. L. S. to W. H. Bentley of Manchester. At this time Audubon was just issuing the Prospectus for his Magnificent Work. "THE BIRDS OF AMERICA," and hard at work taking subscriptions for it. *"I am sorry about the Gentlemen of Manchester who are so impatient, they little know the vexations I experience daily about my publication. I am doing my utmost to please them and they apparently damn me for it. That is hard indeed. I have here 25 men employed in Colouring and Mr. Lizars (the celebrated engraver) is also doing his best. . . . I am sorry, very sorry that my good Friend, Sergeant has not answered my long letter sent him some time ago. I fear I offended him by the Style but I could not help it. I wish you would call on him and ask him if he is hangry at me. The Pamphlet*

(*Prospectus*) will go direct to Sir Walter Scott." Also refers to his Wife Lucy Bakewell and their son John. 2 pages, 4to. London, 1827. \$35.00

AN UNUSUALLY FINE AUDUBON LETTER. "The Birds of America" on which he was just commencing work was produced at a total cost of \$100,000 and at the time the prospectus was published Audubon had not sufficient money to pay for the first part. Affixed to the Letter is Audubon's fine wax seal; a large American Turkey with the Motto "AMERICA MY COUNTRY."

11. BARNEY, JOSHUA. American Seaman. Identification Papers sworn to before a Notary and attesting the Bearer to be a Native Citizen and as such not liable to Impressment by any Foreign Country. With Signatures of Joshua Barney, Samuel Barney and Samuel Sterret. Folio. Baltimore, 1802. \$4.50

Interesting Old American Naval Item.

12. BINGHAM, WILLIAM. Member of the Continental Congress for Pennsylvania. Married Ann Willing of Philadelphia. Long A. L. S. to the Trustees of Dickinson College in answer to their request that whilst in London he would influence the Benevolent and Wealthy there to aid the Institution and expressing his disappointment at his failure to do so. "*On receipt of the Letter empowering me to solicit and receive Donations from the Friends of Literature and Humanity, that might be inclined to contribute towards the Support I renewed my Applications and more assiduously interested myself in its behalf. I sought those Characters whose Reputation stood the highest for Liberality of Sentiment and who from the purest principles had befriended the Revolution of America. . . . They have invariably informed me that no Success could now be expected in this undertaking. That whilst the effects of the American were so visible in the marks of Public and Private distress, all solicitations for the support of American Institutions would be ineffectual. . . . I confess that I have been exceeding disappointed in my Expectations. From the bountiful Contributions that have hitherto been received in aid of such Establishments there seemed to be room for the Indulgence of a belief that very effectual assistance might still be procured,*" etc., etc. 4 pp., 4to. London, 1783. \$20.00

A most interesting Revolutionary Letter, the Treaty of Peace had only been signed three months, yet according to the Writer England was filled with American Envoys seeking Donations for various Educational Institutions in the United States. He says that Dr. Wheeler in behalf of New Hampshire had travelled through England and Europe without securing any funds for his own Expenses. William Bingham was connected by Marriage with the Baring-Ashburton Family.

13. BOOTH, EDWIN. Shakespearean Actor. A. L. S. to John T. Hoffman, Mayor of New York expressing his regret that he had not been better served on his visit to Booth's Theatre to see "Julius Caesar." "*I was very much annoyed when I saw you seated "upstairs" while my box below, which is always at your*

service, was unoccupied," etc. 2 pages, 8vo. Philadelphia, 1872.
\$12.50

THE TREATY OF PEACE WITH ENGLAND, 1782

14. BOUDINOT, ELIAS. Eminent New Jersey Lawyer and Patriot. Commissary general of prisoners, president of Congress, 1782, and in that capacity signed the Treaty of Peace with England, Trustee and Benefactor of Princeton College. A. L. S. signed with initials to the Hon. John Hanson of the Continental Congress on the conclusion of peace. *"Your favor of the 2nd inst was the most agreeable surprise that I have received for some time past, not, Sir, altogether on account of your kind congratulations on the Glorious Event of a peace so honorable to our common country in which I most heartily reciprocate every affectionate wish, but to find after mourning and regretting your Loss to your Friends and your Country, and sympathizing with Mrs. Hanson who I supposed in a most distressed state, that you was still in the land of the living and once more restored to Health and to Usefulness in Life. In short Sir, we having seen your Death announced in the public Newspapers, concluded with the Children that what was printed must be true and really considered the fact as beyond doubt. . . . YESTERDAY SIR GUY CARLETON SENT BY EXPRESS THE KING OF ENGLAND'S CESSATION OF ALL HOSTILITIES AND THIS MORNING WE RECEIVED FROM FRANCE BY AN ARRIVAL HERE THE OFFICIAL INFORMATION OF THE SAME CIRCUMSTANCES ON OUR PART BY A SEPARATE INSTRUMENT OF ACCESSION, UNDER THE SAME TERMS AS THOSE OF FRANCE AND SPAIN, AND SHALL PROCLAIM A CESSATION OF ALL HOSTILITIES ON THE PART OF AMERICA TOMORROW. I know you will rejoice greatly with me on this important News, and join in rendering Thanks to the great Governor of the Universe who has thus continued his interposing providence and at last crowned all our Labors with a SUCCESS FAR BEYOND OUR SANGUINE EXPECTATIONS. We want now nothing but Wisdom and Union to perfect the Glorious Work,"* etc. 2 pp., large folio. Philadelphia, April 10, 1783.
\$100.00

A UNIQUE AND EXCEEDINGLY VALUABLE HISTORICAL RECORD.

"THE HORRID STATE OF PRINCETON," 1807

15. BOUDINOT, ELIAS. Long and very interesting A. L. S. to DR. ASHBEL GREEN, Tutor and President of Princeton College. *"Rev. and Dear Sir: Such was the weather and the State of my Health, that I did not attempt to go to Princeton. There was no Board. But I have just received a long letter from MR. STOCKTON, who describes in most distressing terms, the Horrid State of the College. A great Majority of the Students are suspended, and the College broken up. He says the business has been fermenting the greater part of the Session. The Students have twice attempted to*

burn the College by firing a Room in the lower Entry. The Fence adjoining the Steward's House was set on fire at midnight but luckily discovered by a Servant who happened to be up. The new Class-room was actually burned. Ten or twelve have been sent off during the Session for Drunkenness. On Tuesday 3 young men were suspended by the Faculty for irregular conduct. The Faculty had given out that the College must be purged out at the meeting of the Trustees. Those who knew themselves guilty of repeated breaches of the Law and would be of the number that would be sent off, join those suspended, represent the Sentence as oppressive and unjust, and instead of applying to the Trustees for Redress, propose doing Justice themselves. They form a Combination, in which they agree to adhere to each other, and sign a solemn Instrument to that effect. They have sent a paper to the Faculty by ten Students but without signature, representing that the young men had been injured, demanding a reconsideration of their Case, and their readmission to the College, and that certain of the Faculty (the president and Professor McClean) who had, as they were well informed, uttered expressions injurious to the honor of the students, should retract them, and conclude by desiring a speedy answer. At the Evening prayer, Mr. Stockton attended, when the Illegality, the Impropriety and the Consequences of this measure were fully explained and they were earnestly entreated to abandon ground which must inevitably end in their disgrace and punishment. They were informed that if they required further time for deliberation it would be granted them. They answered that further time was useless, they wished an answer. They were then informed that they would be individually called up immediately by the Roll to avow or disavow the paper. On calling the first name the whole party rose rushed out of the hall shouting like drunken Indians. About 25 remain and disavow any participation. The Trustees who met on Wednesday thought it best to advise the Dismissing of the College; great fears being entertained of FATAL MISCHIEF if they remained longer in a Body. This is a most lamentable Business and will require the utmost wisdom and firmness to terminate it well. The Wound is deep but it must be probed with decision." 2 pp., 4to. Burlington, 1807. \$125.00

A Unique Princeton Record.

ON THE NECESSITY FOR A REAL AMERICAN NAVY, 1807

16. BOWDOIN, JAMES. Principal Benefactor of Bowdoin College so called in honour of his Father the Revolutionary Governor of Massachusetts. Very long and interesting A. L. S. to Gen. Henry Dearborn, Jefferson's Secretary of War regarding the Treaty of Commerce with Great Britain which he did not think should be adopted without important changes, and that he was glad the President had sent it back "better be without a Treaty than to have one which must have a direct tendency to injure our

carry trade . . . the truth is I have no faith in any of the European Powers and I am far from thinking that it will be for the interest of the U. S. to have close and cordial political Friendship with either of them that is with FRANCE, ENGLAND OR RUSSIA, which seem to be the only Powers which remain independent . . . but I am as well satisfied that our true interest consists in drawing close the ties of UNION AT HOME, to combine the best means of defense, to have a respectable Navy, a land Army, principally Artillery, sufficient for the Forts and Garrisons on the seacoast, and a well organized Militia for the great standing principle of National Defense . . . who can read the History of the Spanish Armada sailing up the British Channel with the Intention of invading England, and not notice the manner in which that Expedition was broken up and disgracefully abandoned by the means of a few flying Frigates.” Also mentions the State of Affairs in Spain to which he had been appointed Commissioner from the U. S. to arrange a Treaty and a settlement of the Spoliation Claims, a result he evidently considered hopeless. 7 pages, 4to. Paris, October 8, 1807. \$25.00

A full and very able Exposition of the self evident Necessity of an Efficient American Navy presenting the same Facts and Arguments mooted today.

17. BRADFORD, WILLIAM. Member of the Continental Congress for Rhode Island, but never took his Seat. D. S. Receipt for £36 interest on State Notes, paid by the General Treasurer Joseph Clarke. Small 4to. Newport, 1785. \$3.50

AN IMPORTANT VIRGINIA SIGNER'S LETTERS, 1777

18. BRAXTON, CARTER. One of the Seven Signers of the Declaration of Independence from Virginia. Very Long and Ably Written A. L. S. the greater part of it relating to business affairs, the disposal of cotton, sugar and tobacco; yet national prosperity was so entirely dependent upon the outcome of the war, that the historical parts of the letter are unusually interesting. Although Burgoyne had suffered his second defeat on October 7, the news had been contradicted: “*Your contradiction to the acc't we had rec'd of Burgoyne's total overthrow gave us great uneasiness—the Governor and Council had ordered a day set apart for Thanksgiving on this great occasion. . . . We had also been taught to believe that Phila'a was also in our Possession & that Howe was meditating a flight, wh. it seems also proves false. What are we to believe and how is the truth to be gained. I own I shall give credit to nothing more in Politicks until it is reduced to an absolute Certainty. . . . Your high prices for goods tends to ruin our Cause—if such prices and exhorbitant demands are made it will certainly soon draw down the Vengeance of the Legislature & the People too; probably all our Money & Credit will end as the Mississippi Scheme did and then the Tyrant of Britain will lord it over*

us without controul. Let us be content to receive moderate rewards for our Labours and recollect that the People who ultimately pay these Prices are the poor soldiers and officers who are fighting for us & exposing their lives while we are trading and growing Rich." Also refers to the Capture of Mr. Willing, Mr. Morris's Plans and other matters. 6 pages, 4to. Westpoint, Nov. 1, 1777. \$300.00

A very early Braxton Letter of unusual Interest Commercial and Political.

19. BROWN, JACOB. General in the War of 1812. Former Secretary to Alexander Hamilton. Successful at the engagements at Sackett's Harbor, Chippewa, Fort Erie and Lundy's Lane. General in Chief of the U. S. Army at the age of 46. Characteristic A. L. S. to President Monroe advising him that from all he had seen on a tour recently made in Monroe's interest, that to all appearance the people of New York State were thoroughly satisfied with the conduct of his Administration. "Man we know to be a selfish Animal and the conduct of Parties in this Country has convinced me that there is a deep conviction in the Public Mind that your Administration will be stable, that it will be difficult to shake it as it rests upon the affection and the Confidence of the Nation," etc. 2 pages, large folio. Brownsville, 1817. \$7.50

A scarce Military Autograph.

THE ORIGINAL CHARGES AGAINST GEN. ARNOLD, 1776

20. BROWN, JOHN. Colonel in the Revolutionary Army. Early engaged in vainly trying to induce the Canadians to revolt. With Ethan Allen and Benedict Arnold at Ticonderoga. Failed to support Allen before Montreal thus causing his Capture and long Imprisonment. Resigned the service through personal hatred of Gen. Arnold charging him with having levied Contributions on the Canadians for his own private benefit. In 1780 led his men into an Ambuscade set by the Indians and was killed with 45 others. THE ORIGINAL AUTOGRAPH PETITION SIGNED BY COL. BROWN STATING HIS ACCUSATIONS AGAINST BENEDICT ARNOLD IN 13 CHARGES, ADDRESSED TO GEN. HORATIO GATES. Written closely on 4 pages. Folio. Albany, Dec., 1776. \$250.00

UNIQUE REVOLUTIONARY HISTORICAL RECORD. The Charges were investigated by the Board of War which pronounced them "Cruel and Groundless" and entirely exonerated Arnold, the Report being Confirmed by Congress. In spite of this a party in Congress in the interests of Conway began to grow up who were unceasing in their hostility to Arnold. Gates had begun his Intrigues against Schuyler, and Charles Lee had done his best to ruin Washington, both firm Friends of Arnold's.

The first three charges relate to the personal conduct of the petitioner; the 4th and 10th, "For suffering the small-pox to spread in the camp before Quebec and promoting inoculation in the Continental army." 5th "For depriving a part of the army under his command of their usual allowance of Provisions ordered by Congress. 6th, For interfering and countermanding the orders of his superior officers. 7th, For plundering the inhabitants of Mon-

treachery in direct violation of a solemn capitulation or agreement entered into with them by our late brave and worthy Gen'l Montgomery. 8th, For giving unjustifiable, unwarrantable, cruel and bloody orders directing whole villages to be destroyed and the inhabitants thereof put to death by fire and sword, without any distinction to friend or foe, age or sex..... 11th, For great misconduct in his command of the Continental Fleet in Lake Champlain which occasioned the loss thereof..... For a treasonable attempt to make his escape with the navigation men at or near Ticonderoga which obliged the commanding officer at Crown Point, by force of arms to make a prisoner of Gen. Arnold." IN THE FINEST POSSIBLE CONDITION.

21. BURGoyNE, JOHN. Commander of the English Forces that capitulated at Saratoga. A. L. S. to Major General Riedesel, who was in command of the Hessian troops under Burgoyne at the battles of Bennington and Saratoga. A very important and interesting letter in French, written just before the Bennington battle. Burgoyne tells of his plan to march with 5 regiments, and continues: "*If my reports are correct most of the transports from Fort George will reach Fort Edward at noon, in any case they will surely arrive before night. . . . There is talk of strong forces of the Enemy at Skaneborough. You will do well to ascertain this afternoon if it is so and to be well on your guard on the march tomorrow as there are any number of little by-ways that come upon your road.*" 2 pages, 4to. Duer House, Sept. 11, 10 a. m., 1777. \$125.00

A Rare and Valuable Revolutionary Letter.

AUTOGRAPH OF THE CHIEF OF THE WYOMING GARRISON, 1778

22. BUTLER, ZEBULON. Colonel in the Connecticut Line. Commanded the Weak Garrison at Wyoming at the Time of the Massacre by the Indians under John Butler. Autograph Receipt Signed, five lines. Received twelve hundred and seventy-eight feet of pine Boards according to the Mill Mark not allowing for Splits and Shakes. Zebulon Butler. Oblong 4to. Westmoreland, Sept. 2, 1776. \$7.50

A very Rare Revolutionary Autograph.

23. BUTLER, ZEBULON. Order written and signed as Colonel of the 4th Connecticut Regiment of the Continental Army, requesting the Paymaster to pay the Bearer Lieut. William Henshaw all the balance found due to him from the State of Connecticut for services done from Jan. 1, 1780 to Jan. 1st, 1782. Together with a Certification also signed by Col. Butler stating that Ned Freedom had served as a Soldier in the Connecticut Line before Jan., 1780 and 1781 and since that time to the present. On one page, 4to. Hartford Pay Table, Aug. 4, 1782. \$7.50

UNIQUE MASSACHUSETTS COLONIAL DOCUMENT, 1679

24. CAMBRIDGE AND WATERTOWN. Autograph Petition in the handwriting of William Barham addressed "*to the Honourable Court now sitting at Cambridge this first of April. May it please this Honourable Court to understand that a late transaction of the select Men in Watertowne, about putting the Management of the Schoole into other hands then those the generosity of the Inhabitants had placed it in; hath soe far dissatisfied the most sober prudent and considerable inhabitants of the said towne, that it seemeth to threaten the shaking the peace of ye Society: it hath been apprehended that the calling of the Inhabitants in way of a general meeting to be consulted with, about that affaire might have given a good issue to it; but the unsucessfullnesse of all means used, and application made by several persons to ye select men and Constable for obtaining such a meeting, have constreyned us the Subscribers, to become humble petitioners to your Worship to reach forth a helping hand in a case soe circumstanced. What Countenance the Lawes of the Countrie, give to such a proceeding wee determine not, but know it to be without president or parallel in our towne, and without further troubling desire leave to subscribe: that wee are your humble servants.*"

John Livermore, Senyor
 Henrie Wright
 Thomas Hastings
 John Coolidge, Senior
 William Bartram
 John Bisrae
 Samuell Livermore."

1 page, 4to. Watertowne, March 28, 1679.

\$40.00

25. CAMERON, JAMES D. Secretary of War under Gen. Grant. Official letter to Gen. Ross regarding the siege of Corinth. "*While it is the earnest desire of the Department to obtain the report of the operations of your Command (2nd Brig. 1st Div. Reserve Corps Army of the Tennessee) during the siege and occupation of Corinth Miss it is not in my power to accede to your proposition to engage a Clerk for the purpose of preparing same and that unless you can by some other means furnish the Report, the Publication of the Records of the Rebellion must be made without incorporating it therein.*" 2 pp., 4to. War Dept., 1876.

\$3.50

Together with the Department Circular asking the General to supply the Report.

26. CAMERON, SIMON. *Secretary of War in Lincoln's First Cabinet.* A. L. S. Sending a subscription of \$135.00 for the "English Fund for the Benefit of the Widows" to Mr. R. Howe. 1 page, 12mo. Harrisburg, June 18, 1864.

\$5.00

27. CHALMERS, GEORGE. Born in Scotland and Published many Antiquarian Works on that Country, especially his "Caledonia." Emigrated to Baltimore, and practised as a Lawyer with great success. Wrote many tracts on the Causes of the Revolution and a Life of Thomas Paine. Fine A. L. S. to the Earl of Buchan asking for a Copy of a Charter given by the Scottish King "William the Lion" at the end of the Twelfth Century to the Earl's Ancestors. 4 pp., 4to. Whitehall, 1810. \$5.00

28. CIVIL WAR PHOTOGRAPHS OF GENERALS. Cabinet size.

1. Armstrong, Gen. Frank C. Autograph on back. \$1.00
2. Beauregard, Gen. J. T. With 5-line autograph inscription on back. New Orleans, 1886. \$2.00
3. Daniel, John Warwick. Confederate General. Autographed at foot. \$1.50
4. Early, Jubal. Confederate. Autographed on back. \$1.50
5. Field, Charles W. Confederate. Autographed. \$1.50
6. Lee, Fitzhugh. Confederate. Autographed and with 12-line inscription on back. \$2.50
7. Mosley, John S. Confederate. Autographed. \$1.50
8. Myer, Albert G. U. S. Signal Dep't. Autographed. \$1.50
9. Robertson, B. H. Autographed on back. \$1.50
10. Rosser, Thomas L. C. S. A. Cavalry. Autographed. \$1.50
11. Van Dorn, Earl. Confederate. Autographed. \$2.00
12. Young, Pierce M. B. Confederate. \$1.00

29. CLEVELAND, GROVER. President of the U. S., 1885-1889 and 1893-1897. A. L. S. to his Agent, William E. Stone, giving him minute directions as to alterations to be made at his Princeton residence particularly with reference to a new and improved drainage system: "*We expect to arrive at Princeton early next Thursday afternoon, Sept. 12th and will be glad to see you at any time, the earlier the better, after our arrival,*" etc. 2 pp., 8vo. Tyingham, Sept. 8, 1901. \$15.00

Fine Specimen.

30. CLEVELAND, GROVER. Autograph Signature in full on Executive Mansion paper. \$3.00

31. COBBETT, WILLIAM. English Reformer. Journalist and Agriculturist. In America wrote many powerful Tracts under the name of "*Peter Porcupine.*" Very long and very interesting Political A. L. S. referring to Fox, Pitt, the Grenvilles, Auckland, Francis Freeling the General Post Master, and his Abuse of Office and many others concluding "*Sooner would I see Pitt rise from the dead and resume his fatal power than to see his infamous system continued under the present men. GOD BLESS YOU. I have run on as usual ten times as far as I intended.*" 4 pp., 4to. Upper Brook St., 1806. \$12.00

A Choice Cobbett Letter.

AUTOGRAPH OF THE FIRST RECTOR OF TRINITY, 1690

32. COMPTON, HENRY. Bishop of London. Crowned William and Mary. Ordained the First Rector of Trinity Church, New York, which onerous position he soon deputed to William Vezey. A. L. S. to SIR ROBERT SOUTHWELL then Secretary of State for Ireland warmly recommending a friend to his good Offices. "*Sir. The Bearer Mr. Neve is a kinsman of my Lord Lainsborough's who can give you an ample testimony of his Abilities. He has studyed ye Law; and if you can farther him in any of his Pretences, it shall ever be acknowledged by Sir your most assured Friend and Servant H. London.*" 4to. London, 1690. \$35.00

An interesting account, together with a fine Portrait, of Bishop Compton is to be found in Rev. Morgan Dix's fine Monograph on Trinity Church.

RARE BURR AND CONWAY ITEM, 1777

33. CONWAY, THOMAS. General in the Revolutionary Army. Leader of the Powerful "Conway Cabal," backed up a strong faction in Congress who tried to oust Washington from the Command of the Army. A. L. S. from Aaron Burr then a Colonel, and intensely hostile to Washington, asking leave of absence for two of his Officers. "*Several of the Officers cannot appear decent till they receive other Clothes for these reasons I would beg your indulgence for Leave of Absence for two Subalterns six days, their presence is not particularly necessary with their Companies.*" Conway returned the letter to Burr saying "*Col. Burr is Master to send such Officers as he thinks requisite in order to procure the Papers wanted and the Clothes for the use of the Regiment. T. Conway.*" Folio. West Marsh, Nov. 1777. \$18.00

A rare and Interesting Combination.

TWO BEAUTIFUL COOPER AUTOGRAPHS

34. COOPER, JAMES FENIMORE. Famous Novelist and Historian of the American Navy. Long and exceptionally fine letter to his great Friend, Miss Sayd: "*My Dainty Little Saidee. I am a Scamp, an unmitigated shameless truth despising fellow! What when pledged to Saidee, betrothed, as it were to come and see her, to let a little water float in the way! I feel not only shame but contrition. But I had my punishment on the spot, and you your Revenge,*" etc., etc. 4 very closely written pages, 8vo. Hall, Cooperstown, 1849. \$40.00

A Remarkable Cooper Letter occupying in all 110 lines and full of Family Gossip written in the Author's best vein of Humor. Only a brief description can be given of the entire Letter.

35. COOPER, JAMES FENIMORE. A. L. S. to Miss Louisa Sayd, written in the year of his death and referring to his health

somewhat despondently. *"Glad enough was I to receive your letter, my dear Sayd since it let me know that you are all well and disposed to be happy. I did think of writing to you at the commencement of the year, but I have not been well my Child, and have been trying to set things right again. I am just fit to go to Mrs. Hake's party—if Hake be her name . . . the gentility of my shape enabling me to thread a crowd as you would a needle, I HAVE LOST 22 POUNDS. I can see THE OLD COUNTENANCE RETURNING, by means of the glass. IT LOOKS LIKE THE FACE OF AN OLD ACQUAINTANCE, SET OFF WITH GRAY HAIRS. FOR THE LAST, THERE IS NO HOPE. . . . He—old Bristed—failed to come to time, for his neck was under a window sash, while she fibbed him to her heart's content."* . . . So Woodbury Langdon has been stabbed? . . . Old Astor, instead of a library, should have endowed a "Cock-pit." . . . Willie Cooper, seven years old. . . . ALAS, MY SAIDEE, WHAT ARE WE COMING TO. HAMILTON ADVISES A SOUTHERN CONVENTION, AND THEN TO COME AND FIGHT US. . . . SEPARATE WE CANNOT, YIELD SO FAR AS TO MAKE ANY NEW BARGAIN WITH GUARANTEES FOR SLAVERY WE WILL NOT, AND IF FIGHT MUST COME . . . WOULD WILL GET THE BEST OF IT, THINK YOU, WE SHALL KNOW AFTER THE WAR. . . . I AM NOT A THOUSAND MILES FROM THE LAND OF SPIRITS: HOW LONG SHALL I BE REMEMBERED AFTER MY NAME IS CALLED. MY CHILDREN WILL NEVER FORGET ME, NOR MY WIFE . . . of my regard for you, there is still enough to make a railroad from here to California, were it of iron. Being something more precious, we will keep it between us, see who will come to the bottom first. I'll engage it will not be I," etc., etc. 4pp., 8vo. Hall, Cooperstown, Jan. 18, 1821. \$60.00

Two very unusual and very Characteristic Cooper Autographs each signed in full "J. Fenimore Cooper."

36. CUSHING, THOMAS. Member of the Continental Congress. Opposed the Declaration of Independence. Autograph Petition signed praying the Senate and Representatives of Massachusetts to be released from a claim for Furniture supplied him by the State, when the British Troops in Boston had driven his Family out of that City. Folio. Boston, 1783. \$7.50

37. DANA, FRANCIS. Harvard Graduate, 1762. Son of Liberty, Member of the Continental Congress. With John Adams on his Mission to Europe, 1779. Chief Justice of Massachusetts. Fine A. L. S. to Henry Marchant, Agent for Rhode Island, who was going on a visit to England and asking him to execute various Commissions especially in the way of purchasing a Law Library for him. Very long and friendly Letter. 3 pp., 4to. Cambridge, 1771. \$15.00

38. DAVIDSON, ROBERT. Second President of Dickinson College. Author of several well-known Military Sermons. A. L. S. to

the Trustees of the College regarding the settling of his overdue Salary amounting to 230 pounds and offering to take the position of Professor of Natural History without any extra compensation. Also offering a Subscription to the College Funds of Thirty Pounds. Folio. Carlisle, about 1784. \$10.00

THE FIRST AMERICAN PRINTER'S AUTOGRAPH

39. DAYE, STEPHEN. First Printer in the American Colonies. Employed by President of Harvard College, 1639-49. Printed the "*Freeman's Oath*," 1639, and a complete metrical Translation of the Psalms, known as the Bay Psalm Book. 1640. D. S. Verdict of the Jury of Inquest on the Body of *Robert Knight*, servant, unto *John Betts* of Cambridge. Folio. Cambridge, 1652. \$125.00

This Valuable Old New England Record also bears the Autograph Signatures of JUDGE DANIEL GOOKIN, Friend of John Elliott, the Apostle of the Indians, and Protector of the Regicides, Goffe and Whalley, and one of the Licensers of the Cambridge Press. JOHN CLARK, the "Father of Rhode Island," Friend of Roger Williams and Author of "Ill News from New England." William Dickson, Daniel Stone, John Shephard, Jonas Clark, John Watson, Samuel Andrews, John Fessenden, Edward Shepard, William Wilcox, Thomas Chisholm, and William French.

40. DEARBORN, GEN. HENRY. Noted Revolutionary Soldier, Captain in Stark's Regiment at Bunker Hill where he covered the Retreat of the American Army, accompanied Arnold's Expedition to Canada, Secretary of War from 1801 to 1809, prominent in the War of 1812. Long and very interesting A. L. S. to his Son on the threatening outlook of Affairs between Britain and America." . . . *We are still in a state of suspense in regard to the intentions of England, by the last arrival from England in Boston, it is understood that the Ultimatum of the British Court is to be sent to Mr. Erskine at this place. If so there is reason to suspect that the answer was not such a one as Mr. Monroe could consent to receive as satisfactory. I presume the answer will be calculated to divide the opinions of the people of this country and probably those of the Members of Congress. At all events I hope we shall soon know what we are to expect by way of Satisfaction,*" etc., etc. 4 pages, 4to. Washington, 1807. \$12.50

A very Interesting Letter written as Secretary of War.

41. DICKINSON, JOHN. Founder of Dickinson College, Carlisle. Member of the Continental Congress. Opposed the Declaration of Independence. Enlisted as a private in the Army and commissioned Brigadier General. Author of the famous "LETTERS FROM A PENNSYLVANIA FARMER." A. L. S. to Gen. Armstrong one of the Trustees of Dickinson College saying: "*Let me again entreat in the most earnest manner that the design of establishing the College at the Public Works may be adopted. It will not only be more beneficial beyond all comparison than any other plan, for the Institution, but also for the Town. The Principal and Pro-*

fessors might then be accommodated in the most easy and agreeable manner, with Apartments, Gardens and Lots, besides every other convenience for such a Seminary." 2 pp., 4to. Wilmington, 1787. \$15.00

Rare and fine Specimens.

COLUMBUS AND HENRY VII OF ENGLAND

42. DIXIE, LADY FLORENCE. Traveller and Explorer. Noted for her unconventionality. Original Manuscript written on the Occasion of the Columbus Memorial entitled: "WHAT THE PARSIMONY OF HENRY VII LOST TO BRITISHERS." Commences, "*Alas! that the Bright Visions of Christopher Columbus were hidden by the thick Veil and black darkness of Parsimony to Henry VII. Had this not been so, the Monster New World, would in its length and breadth have harboured an English speaking race, in all the Wars, Rebellions, and Massacres which have attended the founding of the different Republics and States thereof, would never have been known. Truly what Ills the short sightedness of one Man in Power can condemn whole Nations to suffer. When Columbus submitted the Project, which his Genius had conceived to the Consideration of Henry, and offered to discover a New World across the Seas, to be laid at his Feet, the English King rejected the Offer. His nervous vision was clouded with the terrors of Expense, and his Illiberable soul preferred to keep gold in the 'Coffers of the King' to expending it in the search of that 'GREAT FAR OFF, HIDDEN AND YET ASSUREDLY LIVING WORLD' of which Columbus dreamed,*" etc., etc. Written on 3 large folio sheets with the Windsor Castle Arms at head and signed in full. 1892. \$25.00

Accompanied with a one-page A. L. S., from the Writer to her Editor regarding the writing of the article also dated 1892. A fine and unusual item for the Columbus Collector.

43. DUNMORE, LORD. Born John Murray. Appointed Governor of New York in 1770 and of Virginia in 1771. On his Arrival he dissolved the Assembly because it resolved to keep as a day of Fasting and Prayer, the First of June, the day fixed for closing the Port of Boston. In 1776 he burned Norfolk then the most flourishing town in Virginia. D. S. as Governor of the Bermudas. 4to. 1789. \$5.00

44. EDWARDS, NINIAN. First Governor of Illinois. A. L. S. written whilst Senator, to Gales and Seaton, the Washington Publishers, requesting them to discontinue the sending of their Paper, "The Intelligencer," to James Mitchell of Belleville, Ill., on account of the extreme irregularity of its delivery. 4to. Senate Chambers, Jan. 31, 1823. \$6.00

45. EDWARDS, NINIAN. A. L. S. to Samuel L. Southard, Monroe's Secretary of the Navy, recommending Frederick Hewitt

for a Midshipman's Appointment and warmly testifying to his Qualifications and Ability for the Position. Folio. Washington City, 1 Oct., 1824. \$75.00

46. ELLSWORTH, OLIVER. Member of the Continental Congress, and Justice of the U. S. Supreme Court. A. L. S. to Thomas Mumford requesting him, as he was in trade, to procure him a Barrel of Sugar which was difficult to procure in Hartford at the time, and asking him let him know as soon as possible what the expense would be as he was just setting off for Congress. One page, 4to. Hartford, 1779. \$7.00

47. EMERSON, RALPH WALDO. Essayist and Lecturer, and Leader of the Transcendalist Group. A. L. S. to his life-long friend Thomas Carlyle. Written in his second Lecturing tour in England. *"Dear Friend. I hope to set forward today for London, and arrive there some time to-night. I am to go first to Chapman's house, where I shall lodge for a time. If it is too noisy I shall move westward. But I hope you are to be at home tomorrow, for if I prosper, I shall come and beg a dinner with you.—is it not at 5 o'clock? I am sorry you have no better news to tell me of your health, your own and your wife's. Tell her I shall surely report you to Alcott, who will have his Revenge. Thanks that you keep the door so wide open for me still. I shall always come in. Ever Yours. R. W. E."* 3 pages, 12mo. Manchester, 1848. \$40.00

The Correspondence between Carlyle and Emerson lasted over 36 years and the Reason for the great Friendship which existed between these two Remarkable Characters is one of the unsolved puzzles in the Annals of Authors.

ORIGINAL MANUSCRIPT OF EMERSON'S "TERMINUS"

48. EMERSON, R. W. The Original Manuscript Signed of Emerson's Noted Poem entitled "TERMINUS"; consisting of 42 lines including two lines which do not appear in the printed version. On the last blank leaf Emerson has written in pencil *"Send proof to R. W. Emerson, Concord, Mass."* 3 pp., folio. Concord, about 1847. \$275.00

A most Characteristic and very Valuable Specimen of Emerson's "NATURE" Verses. There are a few variations from the printed version and the last 10 lines contain two which were not published. These are the fifth and sixth as follows:

"As the bird trims her to the gale,
I trim myself to the storm of time,
I man the Rudder, reef the sail,
Obey the Voice at eve, obeyed at prime;
*'Is the Sky dark?' it saith, more near will stand
The Pilot's Pilot to thy hand.*
Lowly faithful, banish fear,
Right onward drive unharmed,
The Port, well worth the cruise, is near,
And every wave is charmed.

R. W. Emerson."

From an inscription on the last leaf it appears that the Poem once belonged to Maria Weston Chapman the well known New England Reformer.

FINE LETTER TO ANNE WHITNEY, THE SCULPTRESS

49. EMERSON, R. W. Very fine and interesting A. L. S. to Miss Anne Whitney, the noted Sculptress and Writer, in answer to her proposal for executing a Bust of him. "*Dear Miss Whitney. Your note is very kind and interests me, and should be commanding, and still I have grave reasons that appear to threaten disobedience. I never find myself in my face—dislike, almost to pain, every copy or photograph of it that has been taken—two busts included and must believe that the fault is not in the Copies, but in the original subject. . . . And now lastly, Mr. Phillips pressed me many months ago, urging the wishes of Mr. Milmore to sit to him. At last I promised to go and see Mr. M., and see some of his works.. I went once and failed to find him: but I still hold myself bound to visit him, and should find it embarrassing to refuse him except on the ground that I would not sit at all to a Sculptor. . . . Is it possible to sit to you and to Milmore at the same time, in the same room? Or is this only Comic, with the addition to the humour that the sitter knew that his figure might sorely disappoint the genius of the Artists. I have given you the whole of my dilemma. It only remains to thank you heartily for the feeling that prompted your valued note,*" etc. 4 pages, 4to. Concord, Nov. 12, 1871. \$50.00

A most unusual and characteristic Emerson Letter.

50. EMERSON, R. W. Short A. L. S. to Daniel Ross gracefully replying with a request for his Autograph. With envelope. 1 page, 12mo, in neat black frame, with a fine portrait. Concord, 1861. \$15.00

51. ERICSSON, JOHN. Famous Marine Engineer, Constructor of the "MONITOR" and of the "PRINCETON" considered the "*Pioneer of modern Naval Construction and the Foundation of the Steam Marine of the World.*" A. L. S. to one of his Business Associates, John B. Kitching, informing him as to the progress of Experiments and referring to his "California" Engine and its tests, describing his work in detail. 2 pp., 4to. New York, Mar. 18, 1857. \$12.50

A Fine Letter. Very scarce.

DAMN THE TORPEDOES! GO AHEAD! FULL SPEED!

52. FARRAGUT, DAVID G. A Highly Important and Valuable lot of Letters and Orders relating to Admiral Farragut's ever Memorable Destruction of the Confederate Flotilla in Mobile Harbour, the Surrender of Fort Gaines and the famous dash of the Federal Fleet through the Mines and Torpedoes laid by the Confederate Navy in August, 1864. In two of these Official Orders Admiral Farragut expresses his Opinion very forcibly about the "DEMONS"

who intended to destroy them by the use of Torpedoes. Together 6 pages, folio and quarto. Flag Ship, Hartford, Mobile Bay, July 29th-August 7, 1864. \$250.00

I. "General Order No. 11. Should any vessel be disabled to such a degree that her Consort is unable to keep her in her station she will drop out of line to the westward and not embarrass the vessels next astern by attempting to regain her Station. Should she repair damages so as to be able to re-enter the line of Battle she will take her Station in the rear as close to the last vessel as possible.

So soon as the vessels have passed the Fort and kept away North West they can cast off the Gunboats at the discretion of the Senior Officer of the two vessels and allow them to proceed up the Bay to cut off the Enemy's gunboats that may be attempting to escape up to Mobile.

There are certain Black Buoys placed by the Enemy across the Channel from the piles on the West side of the Channel towards Fort Morgan. It being understood that there are Torpedoes and other obstructions BETWEEN the Buoys, the Vessels will take care to pass to the Eastward of the Easternmost Buoy which is clear of all obstructions. The Admiral will endeavor to have the others removed if possible before the day of Battle as he thinks they support that which will otherwise sink and destroy them as a Guide to the DEMONS who hope to explode them. D. G. Farragut, Rear Admiral Commanding."

"So soon as the Vessel is opposite the end of the piles it will be best to stop the propeller of the Ship and let her run the distance past by her headway and the tide and those having side wheel gunboats will continue on by the aid of the paddle wheels which are not likely to foul with their drag ropes." D. G. F., Flag Ship Hartford, July 29, 1869."

II. "The Admiral returns thanks to the Officers and Crews of the Vessels of the Fleet for their gallant Conduct during the Fight.

It has never been his good fortune to see men do their duty with more cheerfulness, for although they knew the ENEMY WAS PREPARED FOR OUR DESTRUCTION WITH ALL DEVILLISH MEANS AND WITNESSED THE ALMOST INSTANTANEOUS ANNIHILATION OF OUR GALLANT COMPANIONS IN THE TECUMSEH BY A TORPEDO AND THE SLAUGHTER OF THEIR FRIENDS AND MESSMATES AND GUNMATES, still there was not the slightest evidence of hesitation to follow your Commander in Chief through the line of Torpedoes and Obstructions of which we knew nothing except from the exaggerations of the Enemy—that we must all be blown up as certainly as we attempted to enter. For this blind Confidence in your Leader he thanks you." D. G. Farragut. Rear Admiral. Flag Ship Hartford. Mobile Bay Aug. 6, 1864. To Commander E. Donaldson, U. S. S. Seminole.

III. General Order. Flag Ship Hartford. Mobile Bay. Aug. 6, 1864. SUNDAY MORNING. AUG. 7, 1864.

The Admiral desires the Fleet to return Thanks to Almighty God for the signal Victory over the Enemy on the Morning of the 5th inst." D. G. Farragut. Rear Admiral. Comdg. W. G. B. Squad.

THE SURRENDER OF FORT GAINES.

IV. "To Admiral Farragut

Commanding Naval Forces off Dauphine Island.

Feeling my inability to maintain my present position longer than you may see fit to open fire upon me with your fleet, and feeling also, the uselessness of entailing upon ourselves further destruction of life, I have the honor to propose the Surrender of Fort Gaines, its Garrison, Stores, etc.

I trust to your Magnanimity for obtaining honorable terms which I respectfully request that you will transmit to me, and allow me sufficient time to consider them, and return an Answer. This Communication will be handed to you by Major M. R. Browne. I am Very Respectfully, Yours Obdt.

Servant, C. D. Anderson, Col. Commanding. Head Quarters, Fort Gaines, Aug. 7, 1864."

One of the most interesting Historical Items known relating to the Wonderfully Effective Part enacted by the United States Navy in the Great Civil War, and of Great significance at the present time as showing Farragut's Opinion of Torpedo and Explosive Mine Warfare as practised Fifty Years ago, being the First Employment of such on any extensive scale.

The Actual Circumstances of the Engagement in Mobile Bay as recounted in Farragut's Life are as follows:

The defences of the Bay consisted mainly of two Forts, Morgan at the Eastern side of the Entrance, and Gaines at the Western, three miles apart. From Fort Gaines eastward to a point near Fort Morgan stretched a line of piles and a double line of Torpedoes. The point where they terminated was indicated by a red Buoy, and the Blockade Runners were accustomed to pass in by the narrow Channel between this Buoy and Fort Morgan. Inside of these defences lay the Confederate Iron-Clad "*Tennessee*" and three wooden Gun-Boats. As at New Orleans Farragut issued General Orders containing the most minute Instructions for every contingency (*This is very clearly shown by General Order No. 11 the first item of this series*). His seven sloops of War, the "*Brooklyn*" leading and the "*Hartford*" coming second, were to form one line, each Sloop having a gunboat lashed on the port side, to take her through if her Machinery should be disabled. The "*Brooklyn*" was given the lead because she had four chase guns and a contrivance for picking up Torpedoes. The four Iron-clad Monitors "*TECUMSEH*," "*MANHATTAN*," "*WINNEBAGO*" and "*CHICKASAW*" formed another line to the right of the line of Wooden Ships, between them and Fort Morgan. Before daylight on August 5th everybody in the Fleet was astir, and at half past five the signal was given for the Advance. An hour later the Combatants were within range, and the firing began immediately, and was heavy and destructive on both sides. The Admiral mounted into the port main rigging, in order to see over the Smoke, and as this increased he gradually mounted higher. Captain Drayton to prevent his falling to the deck in case of being wounded, sent up a Quarter-master with a piece of lead-line, which was made fast to one of the Shrouds, and passed around the Admiral. The Commanders had all been instructed to keep to the east of the red Buoy, (*described as Black in Farragut's own Order*) but the leading Monitor in her eagerness to engage the Confederate Ram, passed west of it, struck a Torpedoe and instantly went down. (*This was the "Tecumseh" under Captain Tunis Craven who with 118 men went down with his Ship*). A little later the "*Brooklyn*" stopped, and this seemed likely to throw the whole line into Confusion. "WHAT IS THE TROUBLE?" was shouted through a trumpet from the "*Hartford*." "TORPEDOES!" was the answer. "DAMN THE TORPEDOES!" yelled Farragut. "FOUR BELLS! CAPTAIN DRAYTON, GO AHEAD! JOUETT, FULL SPEED!"

Thus the "*Hartford*" passed the "*Brooklyn*" took her place at the head of the line and led the fleet into the Bay. By these Operations a stop was put to the passage of the Blockade Runners and one of the Main Avenues of Supplies to the Confederacy was effectively closed.

53. FISK, CLINTON B. Brig.-Gen. commanding 13th Division 13th Army Corps Avenue of the Tennessee. A. L. S. to Brig. Gen. L. F. Ross. Fine Letter regarding his new Regiments, "General I am in receipt of your Order of this date directing me to prepare my Command for an early forward movement with Axes, spades and shovels. I shall promptly obey but ask you to allow me to suggest that my Command is ill fitted for heavy Fatigue. One Reg has been on the same duty for nearly two weeks—the others are all just recovering from Measles, Mumps and Pneumonia and not half of the men reported for duty are able to swing an Axe. . . .

We will do the best we can Gen. but if a large mortality list follows the sickness incurred by their labor, I desire my records to show that I was fearful of such results. I would be very glad if my Regiments could be *paid* before marching." 4to. Head Quarters 2nd Brigade U. S. Vols., Helena, Ark., Feb. 18th, 1863. \$10.00

Fine and unusual War Letter relating to the Operations around Vicksburg.

54. FISK, CLINTON B. Another interesting A. L. S. to Gen. Ross regarding the Steamboats on the Yazoo River, reporting that the left of the floating Column was there at a "parade rest" in the "Coldwater." "The Emma has been brought through the 'Pass.' She has been a deal of trouble. We have taken down, cut therefrom ten feet and replaced her Chimnies, patched her boilers, rebuilt one wheel, cut her way through the Wilderness and pushed her rattling, crackling, crashing, smashing, thundering through the Woods and Cane brakes, until she now floats in the Coldwater," etc., etc. 4to. Head Quarters 2nd Brigade, "Forest Rose," Mouth of Yazoo Pass, March 2, 1863. \$6.50

55. FISK, CLINTON B. A. L. S. to Gen. Ross reporting progress with his transports. "The Wheel of my own Transport, (Lebanon No. 2), was very much broken by a timber at 3 o'clock this afternoon and it required the balance of the day to repair it. We now lay eight miles from the mouth of the Coldwater. My Brigade all closed up and will move at daylight or if the moon comes out will move during the Night. The "Signal" has done well since her Chimnies were taken down," etc., etc. 1 page, 8vo. Head Quarters "Lebanon No. 2," Mar. 6, 1863. \$5.00

56. FISK, CLINTON B. A. L. S. to Gen. Ross. "I have rearranged the Order of March for my Brigade placing the 'Mariner' with the Supplies in Advance and my Head Quarters in the rear. This order of March will enable to *push* instead of *Pull* and I can keep my eye on all the Command, hurry up Stragglers as assist in slight repairs, and 'raking after' generally," etc., etc. 4to. Head Quarters, Lebanon No. 2, March 7th (Midnight), 1863. \$6.50

57. FISK, CLINTON B. A. L. S. to Gen. Ross reporting operations on the "Yazoo." "We were well under way at day this morning and at 8 o'clock were in the 'Tallahatchie.' My Brigade all came up with me last night excepting the 29th Iowa on the 'Key West.' They are nearly 10 miles in our rear with a badly broken wheel and rudder. I have directed Col. Benton to appropriate the 'Good Friends' if it ever reaches them. Is the design now to *go-ahead* each on his own account, fast or slow, as he may be able? Or shall I remain with my slowest vessels moving them in closed column of a few hundred yards conforming to the speed of the slowest. . . . I am apprehensive of trouble from the Tallahatchie above the junction with the Coldwater, at this stage of Water. My large Steamers can go up as far as Ponola and if the

Rebels have been sharp they have sent something up there to come down on us," etc., etc. With other comments upon the Enemies ability to hide their small Rams and Gunboats in the smaller flanking Rivers. 2 pp., 4to. Tallahatchie, Mar. 7, 1863. \$15.00

The operations of Generals Ross and Fiske against the Confederate forces under General Tilghman failed entirely and they were forced to retreat early in April. Gen. Fisk after the War founded the Fisk University at Nashville, Tenn. His War Letters are scarce.

58. FLORIDA AUTOGRAPHS. A Collection of A. L. S., Documents and signatures written by Prominent Florida Officials. David Levy Yulee (Senator), J. D. Westcott (Acting Governor), Jackson Morton (Senator), Stephen R. Mallory (Soldier and Senator), Adonijah S. Welch (Senator), Thomas W. Osborn (Senator), Abijah Gilbert (Senator), Simon B. Conover (Senator and Surgeon), C. W. Jones (Senator), Wilkinson Call (Senator), and Samuel Pasco (Soldier and Senator). With a few portraits. In all 33 pieces written between 1838 and 1889. \$12.00

An interesting Collection mostly including several specimens from each. Contains a few fine Confederate items.

59. FOSTER, ABIEL. Member of the Continental Congress from New Hampshire. Clergyman and Judge. Autograph Letter referring at length to the Envoys to France, Monroe and Adams, and to the Etiquette of the French Republicans "*As to Mr. Monroe he has been so long absent from the United States, that he by this time wishes to return: and besides his coming to America bids fair to give us the aid of the Apostle of Infidelity* THOMAS PAINE *to correct our Constitution and conform it to that of France,*" etc. 3 pages, 4to. Philadelphia, 1797. \$4.00

60. FRANKLIN, SIR JOHN. Arctic Explorer lost on his last Expedition which started for Behring's Straits in 1845. RECOGNISED AS THE DISCOVERER OF THE NORTH WEST PASSAGE. A. L. S. to CAPTAIN STOKES of the "BEAGLE" surveys, afterwards Admiral, enclosing him two sketches for the Title pages to be used in the Narratives of his First and Second Expeditions, mentions his "*Friend Parry as a good adviser in such matters,*" with other directions for the printing of the Book. 2 pages, 8vo. London, about 1828. \$17.50

An extremely scarce and very interesting Arctic Record accompanied by a two-page A. L. S., from his Widow, Lady Franklin, who had fitted up several Expeditions to unravel the fate of her husband and his men. The Letter is written to Cyrus Field in 1862 wishing him success in his transatlantic Telegraph scheme. With some rare portraits.

A VERY CHOICE FRANKLIN LETTER

61. FRANKLIN, BENJAMIN. Very fine A. L. S. written whilst President of Pennsylvania, at the age of 80, and four years before his death. Addressed to WILLIAM ALEXANDER. "*Dear Sir.*

Your kind letter in care of Mr. Pollock gave me great pleasure, as it informed me both that you were well, and that you were doing well, for I wish you every kind of prosperity.

"In coming down from Paris to Havre, I stopped a night at St. Germain's, and had the happiness of spending the evening with your amiable girls, who were preparing for England, where their good uncle expected them. I congratulate you cordially on the final settlement of your Contest there, and pray you may never have such another.

"I should be glad to render Mr. Pollock any acceptable service, but I have little communication with Congress, and I believe his Affairs need no interference of mine.

"I have a young kinsman from Boston now at Petersburg in Virginia, where he went with some expectations of finding Employment as a clerk in some Counting House. He has not answered me, and I know not whether he is gone home to Boston, or is still at Petersburg. If the latter should be the case, and he is still out of employ, and it should be in your way to see him, and judge him worthy of your recommendation, your affording it to him will much oblige. Dear Friend, Yours most affectionately, B. Franklin. My kinsman's name is Josiah Flagg." 3 pages, 4to. Philadelphia, 1786.

\$250.00

62. FREMONT'S EXPEDITION, 1849. Return of Provisions furnished to Gen. Fremont and the surviving Members of the Expedition which started in Oct., 1848, with the object of finding a practicable passage to CALIFORNIA by way of the upper Waters of the Rio Grande. All of his Animals and a third of his men were lost in the terrible snows of the great Sierra and a portion of the Survivors, it is said, were even driven to Cannibalism. The Party was found and rescued by Major B. L. Beall of the U. S. Dragoons. Beneath the list of Provisions he writes "*The above were furnished by my order for Col. Fremont's Party, they being in a starving condition and that no charge was made to Col. F. for the same. These provisions were not furnished for INDIVIDUAL BENEFIT but for the Whole Party. B. L. Beall.*" 4to Taos. New Mexico, 1849.

\$15.00

An important and Interesting California Historical Record.

63. GAINÉ, HUGH. Old New York Printer. Autograph Bill receipted by Hugh Gainé, rendered to Governor GEORGE CLINTON for "*Paper, Wax, Wafers and Red Tape.*" 4to. New York, Dec. 20, 1793.

\$15.00

Gainé was born in Belfast and learned the Printing Trade there. Emigrated to America and worked with James Parker. In 1752 he opened a printing house in Hanover Square: In the Revolution he performed his great "Journalistic Straddle" said by Hildeburn to be "without a parallel in the Annals of Journalism," of publishing a "Strictly neutral" Edition of his "New York Gazette" in New York, and another Edition of the same in Newark, N. J., entirely devoted to the Whig Cause. Gainé's Press was the most prolific of his Time. He was Treasurer of the St. Patrick Society and died in 1807.

FINE LETTER ON PREPAREDNESS

64. GAINES, EDMUND PENDLETON. Of Virginia. General in the War of 1812 and in the Wars with the Creeks and Seminoles. Long A. L. S. to Gen. James Tallmage very clearly setting forth his opinions on the Presidential Election. *"The Candidate of my Choice is the man who has given the best practical proof of his belief in the Doctrine, that while menaced by the Alliance of European Crowned Heads with the million Bayonets held ready for Action, THE EXISTING PERIOD OF PEACE IS THE PROPER TIME TO PREPARE GRADUALLY, FOR WAR. Not to increase much the numerical Strength of the Army and the Navy, but to organize the Militia and render it as efficient as possible, to strengthen all the vital points of attack, to multiply Arsenal, Ordnance and such other Military Stores as may be kept in a state of preservation, to increase the means of Military Education, to encourage internal improvements, and gradually to encourage domestic manufactures. With these impressions you will not be surprised to hear that ANDREW JACKSON is my first Choice, John C. Calhoun, second,"* etc., etc. 6 pages, 4to. New York, 1824. \$12.00

Fine Political Letter.

65. GALT, JOHN. Author of the "Life of Byron," "Laurie Todd," "The Ayrshire Legatees," and many other Works. Founded the City of Guelph in Canada. Original Manuscript Poem signed and dated. Fourteen Lines entitled "Life." At end the Author has written "For Mr. Thatcher, Boston." 8vo. Greenock, 1834. \$5.00

Accompanied with an original sepia drawing of Galt by Irvine, autographed by John Galt.

THE BLOCKADE OF NEW YORK, 1778

66. GAMBIER, JAMES. British Admiral. Assisted in the Relief of New Jersey, 1779, at the capture of Charleston, 1780, Commanded the "Defence" in Howe's Victory, Governor of Newfoundland, 1802-4. In 1814 one of the English Commissioners to arrange a Treaty with the U. S. Clearance Papers, printed in red, for the 40-Ton Sloop "Fanny," Charles Wheeler Master empowering him to leave the Port of New York and to pass and repass within the Protection of the British Ships for the sole purpose of supplying the City with Fuel, Forage and Provisions. Folio, with seal. On board the "Ardent," off New York, 22nd Sept., 1778. \$17.50

An unusual Revolutionary Record of British Origin.

67. GANSEVOORT, LEONARD. Of Albany. Member of the Continental Congress. Interesting Business letter Mr. Van Rensselaer in regard to a Wheat sale and saying that he had never before in his life been so pressed for money. Concludes "Our Friend

Banker has renewed his application to Cornelius Ray for Money and has some hopes of succeeding. God grant he may." 2 pages, 4to. New York, 1791. \$6.50

68. GARDNER, SILVESTER. Of Rhode Island. D. S. Receipt for Salary as an Assistant in the General Assembly serving for seven days. Inlaid. 4to. Newport, 1782. With portrait. \$3.00

69. GERMAIN, GEORGE SACKVILLE. Lord Sackville. British Secretary of State for the Colonies, 1775-1782. Long Official L. S. containing some very interesting Revolutionary matter, written to BARON RIESEDESEL, referring to his recent exchange: "*I rejoice that the King's Service will by your Restoration to it, again receive the Advantage of your abilities, Zeal and Attachment to His Majesty.—Sir Henry Clinton judges very right in detaining you at New York till the Spring . . . he is too sensible of your Merit to suffer you to be exposed to unnecessary hazards, but I doubt not he will find you a conveyance to Quebec . . . and as I well know how much the Troops of the Prince of Brunswick will be benefited by your arrival I am happy to think you will be at their Head in the Spring.*" 2 pp., folio. London, 1780. \$12.00

70. GRANT, GEN. U. S. Short A. L. S. written as General in command of the South Eastern District of Missouri to Gen. Ross at Fort Jefferson. "*Your Orders meet with my entire approval. I hope you will see them enforced. Yours, etc. U. S. Grant.*" Dated Cairo, Sept. 17, 1861. This Letter is attached to "*Brigade Order No. 1*" issued and signed by Gen. Ross and written by his Adjutant A. H. Ryan. The orders apply to the Government and Discipline of "*Camp Crittenden*" and provide for the drilling and instruction of Privates in the School of the Soldier"; that Colonels of Regiments should arrange for Divine Services in Camp every Sabbath; Captains to be responsible for the Cleanliness of the Men and to see that the men should "*perform their Ablutions at least twice a week*"; Company Officers to see that the Food of the men is good and properly cooked and served; No Hawkers or Peddlers permitted in camp without Officer's permission; No Gambling of any description and the discontinuance of Card Playing urged upon the Officers; Drunkenness prohibited under penalties of Court Martial; the use of Intoxicating Liquors by Officers and men to be avoided; the Great and Manifest waste of Ammunition to be stopped; Trespassers upon private property to be Court-Martialed; No "*shirking*" in the enforcement of these Rules to be tolerated. Together 6 pages, folio. Cairo and Camp Crittenden, Sept. 16-17, 1861. \$50.00

71. GRANT, GEN. U. S. Very important Letter on Commanding Officer's territorial Responsibilities and other matters. Written to Gen. J. A. McClernand commanding at Jackson, Tenn. "I have just had an interview with Dr. Crittenden who has been

sent here by your order. He seems to be a man of that class denominated dangerous and should not be allowed to enter any of our Camps, and by no means should he ever have been permitted to pass over our lines of Communication. I cannot find that your communication has ever reached me. If it did however the probabilities are that it has been endorsed and referred to Gen. Dodge whose Troops it seems, took the property now claimed. There is one thing General in which your views seem to conflict with mine. It is in this, giving geographical limits to your command within which other Commanders have no right to send their troops. *My View of this matter is and it will have to govern until higher Authority decides against me that I command all the Troops that are within or that may come within certain limits. All Commanders under me command Troops and not Territory except such as may be covered by their Troops and Guards. With certain troops you are given certain lines of Communications to hold and protect. When it becomes necessary for this purpose to send troops out through the Country you can do so, and the troops do not cease to be under your Command, nor do you cease to be responsible for their conduct because they cross certain limits. Gen. Quinby in the same way has to guard our lines of Communications within certain limits and is responsible for the Acts of all his Troops wherever he may send them for this purpose. In case of an attack upon any point of the Roads to be protected by our troops, by a force superior to that convenient to be sent by the Commander of the troops at the place where the attack is threatened, it is the duty of Commanders convenient to send such reinforcement as may be required, and he can spare, reporting the fact to District Head Quarters. In this case for the time being, troops pass from one Commander to another. Whenever I conceive that good Order can be better maintained by Sub-districting my Command I believe that I have the right to do so. I have however not yet done so."* 3 pages, 4to. Head Quarters, Dist. of West Tenn., Corinth, Aug. 17, 1862. \$100.00

An unusual letter demonstrating in unmistakable terms his Views as to his Powers as Commander in Chief.

72. GRANT, GEN. U. S. Original Autograph Telegram signed to Maj.-Gen. Hurlbut. *"Make all dispatch. Rosencranz condition is precarious. The Enemy are massed in the North West Angle of the Rail Road. You are late but may yet be of service. I regret that you did not leave one day earlier. U. S. Grant, Maj.-Gen."* 4to. Jackson, Oct. 4th. \$35.00

Refers to the Operations planned by Grant and carried out by Rosencranz, Hurlbut, Ross and others to cut off the Retreat of the Confederates from Corinth.

73. GRANT, GEN. U. S. "Special Order No. 30. Brig.-Gen. L. F. Ross will report for duty to Major John A. McClernand commanding 13th Army Corps. By Order of Major General U. S.

Grant. John A. Rawlins, Asst. Adj't General." 4to. Headquarters Department of the Tennessee, Young's Point, La., Jan. 30, 1863. \$10.00

In Jan. 1863 McClernand had been appointed to relieve Sherman of his Command to capture Vicksburg. It is curious that in such an important Official Document the Adjutant General should have given him the rank of "Major" instead of "Major General."

74. GRANT, GEN. U. S. Contemporary Draft signed of Gen. Grant's proposed Proclamation to the People of West Tennessee "To enable the People of West Tennessee to send Representatives to Congress and re-establish Civil Government among them under the Constitution and Laws of the U. S. Notice is hereby given that an Election will be held . . . on the 26th Day of December, 1862 . . . for such Officers as under the Laws of the State of Tennessee the people were entitled to elect at the Time of the Breaking out the Rebellion. . . . The Election will be conducted as nearly as may be, in conformity with the Laws in force regulating the same in the year 1860. . . . No person will be permitted to be a Candidate for any Office who would not be qualified to fill the same under the Laws of the U. S. . . . Should his Excellency Andrew Johnson issue a call for an Election, the foregoing will be null and void, and in any event is subject to his Approval." 3 pages. Head Qrs., 13th Army Corps, Dept. of the Tennessee, Oxford, Miss., Dec. 9, 1862. \$75.00

It appears doubtful whether the Proclamation was ever printed or issued, Gov. Johnson having probably preferred to supervise the Election himself.

75. GRANT, GEN. AND PORTER, ADMIRAL. Official contemporary Copy of an "Agreement between Major-Gen. Grant and Acting Rear Admiral D. D. Porter regulating Trade: For the purpose of more effectually preventing all Commercial Inter-course between Insurrectionary and Loyal States, and of consistent, uniform and efficient action in conducting trade with any places or Sections in Insurrectionary States opened to trade, pursuant to Law, the following Rules shall be observed throughout the States of Arkansas, Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama," etc., etc. 3 pp., folio. Near Vicksburg, Feb. 24, 1863. \$20.00

The Official Copy furnished to Gen. Ross at Bolivar for his Guidance.

GRANT'S PREPARATIONS FOR THE CAPTURE OF VICKSBURG

76. GRANT, GENERAL U. S. Very fine War Letter entirely in Grant's writing and signed in full as Major General to Col. William S. Hillyer. "What you have done is just right. It seems that fewer wagons would have done to have sent back but they can be brought up hereafter if necessary. I feel somewhat uneasy for our trains that are out now but hope they will get through all right. Sherman received my Orders after his Troops had all

far passed the point where I directed him to leave a Brigade. Send no more trains without an Escort but follow previous instructions to send all the Supplies of Ammunitions and provisions you can with every Body of Troops coming this way. You have had my Instructions about the Troops that are to come here from the line of our present route to Millikin's Bend. Also that everything brought by us even to McClernand's Camp Equipage is to be brought to Grand Gulf. Write to Lyford, by Order, to send 100 rounds of ammunition for 50,000 men and 100 rounds for all artillery in the Field. I hope the Hospital will turn out all right." 2 pages, 4to. Head Quarters, Dept. of the Tennessee, Rocky Springs, May 9, 1863. \$150.00

A VERY IMPORTANT CIVIL WAR LETTER. William Silliman Hillyer was an early friend of Grant and obtained for him the position of County Engineer at St. Louis, in 1855. When Grant became a Brigadier General he offered Hillyer a place on his Staff and he served through the Tennessee and Vicksburg Campaigns. This letter was written the third day after Grant had taken possession of Grand Gulf. On the 12th he defeated Jackson at Raymond and followed it up with a Victory over Pemberton at Champion Hill. He then laid siege to Vicksburg which held out till July 4th.

77. GRANT, GEN. U. S. A. L. S. to Col. A. H. Markland of the Military Post Office saying that Lt. Col. P. Hudson of his Staff was about to cross the Plains to the Pacific and would be pleased to transact by the way any Post Office Business for the Government and strongly recommending him for such service. 2 pp., 8vo. Washington, Ill., 1866. \$25.00

78. HALE, EDWARD EVERETT. Author and Orator. A. L. S. commencing "Dear George" and containing much good advise as to the desirability of his Correspondent going to Kansas with the prospect of becoming a Teacher. "*There is not in summer certainly, any need of Teachers in Kansas this year. If you have a fancy to see pioneer Life and grit enough to bear its hardships you might join a party, keep with them till they make their location, stake out your 110 acres and establish your cabin upon it—work with them, among them, for them, as you had opportunity, and next winter with the knowledge they had of you and you of them, could enter on the work of a Prairie Schoolmaster. . . . Have you any turn as a Surveyor? There is plenty of that work to do I believe in running Farm lines, but there is I believe very little demand as yet for Latin and Greek,*" etc., etc. 4 pages, 4to. Worcester, 1855. \$6.00

In 1854 Hale had published a Work on Kansas and Nebraska.

79. HALLECK, GEN. HENRY W. Westpoint, 1839, Military Engineer in the Mexican War, General in Chief of the Armies of the U. S., 1862. A. L. S. to Gen. Ross, commanding at Cape Girardeau detailing the almost entire want of Arms for the Union Troops. "*We now have Sabres and your requisitions on Col. Callender for them can be immediately filled. We have no Re-*

volvers or Carbines. *Get your Troops ready for the Field.*" 1 page, 8vo. Head Qrs., Dep. of the Missouri, St. Louis, Feb. 1, 1862. \$15.00

80. HALLECK, GEN. H. W. Long and very interesting letter regarding the frequent breaking of their Paroles by Confederate Officers. *"I have delayed answering your letter of Dec. 23rd in relation to Gen. Watkins in order to obtain certain information which I have been expecting about Gen. W. and others in that part of the Country. Very many of those who have returned from the Enemy and given their PAROLE have acted as Spies on our operations, giving the Enemy all the Information they could obtain, assisting in getting up insurrections and planning the Burning of Bridges, etc. It is therefore necessary to observe due precaution in this matter. If Gen. Watkins has been in the Enemy's Service, either State or Confederate he must come back in one of two Capacities, either as a Prisoner of War, or as a Citizen returning to his Allegiance. If he returns as a Prisoner of War he may be released on his Parole of Honor that he will remain quietly on his Farm giving no information or assistance of any kind to the Enemy, and that he will present himself at your post or any other when called for. . . . If Gen. Watkins should decide to take the Oath, all Stock taken from him should be returned. With regard to his 'Slaves' if any are in your camp as Fugitives they are so held in positive violation of Gen. Orders No. 3 of 1861, unless such Slaves were taken in Virtue of the Act of Congress. Except in the case provided for by Congress, Troops should be permitted neither to steal Slaves nor to catch and return them to their pretended Owners. The Military are neither Slave-Stealers nor Slave-Catchers. To avoid all difficulties about this Matter, keep the Fugitives out of Camp and let the Question of Ownership be decided by the Civil Tribunals,"* etc., etc. 3 pages, 4to. Head Quarters, St. Louis, Jan. 14, 1862. \$50.00

An unusually long and fine Halleck Letter.

81. HALLECK, GEN. H. W. California Pioneer. Commander of the Army of the Potomac, 1863, and General in Chief of the U. S. Army. D. S. printed Commission of Jeremiah Hayes as Ordinance Sergeant in the 3rd Regiment, U. S. Artillery. Signed by Gen. Halleck and by Adjutant General E. D. Townsend. Oblong 4to. Washington, 23 May, 1863. \$4.00

A VALUABLE HAMILTON AUTOGRAPH

82. HAMILTON, ALEXANDER. Original Oath taken by Alexander Hamilton on his admission to practice as Attorney and Counsellor in the Supreme Court and as Solicitor and Counsellor in the Court of Chancery, in New York. 1 page, folio. Albany, July 18, 1783. \$250.00

Robert H. Wendell, the judge of the Supreme Court evidently kept this blank oath before him for applicants to sign on their admission to the bar,

and each applicant filled in the name of the office he was to hold, in his own autograph. In this document Hamilton has written "Alex. Hamilton, 20th of October 1783, qualified as an Attorney & Counsellor in the Supreme Court and also as solicitor and Counsellor in the Court of Chancery." The date of the admission of Hamilton appears to have been unknown, heretofore; some authorities giving 1782 and some 1783 as the date, but none mentioning the day of the month. Other Attornies admitted to the Bar, and who also signed this Oath were BALTH DE HAERT, MORGAN LEWIS, EZEKIEL GILBERT, PAUL R. RANDALL, LUCAS ELMENDORF, JR. and RICHARD SILL, the first signing on August 2, and the last Nov. 6th, 1783.

83. HAMILTON, ALEXANDER. Long Affidavit signed by Hamilton in the Supreme Court Case of NICHOLAS CRUGER, Administrator of the Estate of FREDERICK BREVOORT against CORNELIUS P. LOW. Sworn before RICHARD MORRIS. 3 pages, folio. New York, 1790. \$40.00

A very uncommon and interesting Association of Old New York names, with a fine Hamilton Signature.

84. HAMILTON, GEN. CHARLES SMITH. Westpoint, 1843, Captain in Mexican War. Colonel of the 3rd Wisconsin Infantry and, Commander of the Left Wing Army of the Tennessee and distinguished at Yorktown, Corinth and Iuka. Original Autograph Telegram signed to Gen. Ross. "*I have requested the Chief Commissary to send down at once for the Meal.*" Head Qrs., Left Wing (Nov. 19, 1862). \$2.50

Gen. Hamilton's War Letters are extremely scarce, as he only served from May, 1861, to April, 1863, when he resigned.

85. HAMILTON, GEN. CHARLES SMITH. Original Autograph Telegram signed to Gen. Ross. "*Col. Lee has ordered a Scout in your front this morning. It is only a small camping of Guerillas, who has been prowling around you for a day or two. They will be taken care of. Impress the utmost vigilance on the pickets.*" Head Qrs., Left Wing, Nov. 19 (1862). \$6.00

86. HAMILTON, GEN. CHARLES SMITH. Long and very interesting A. L. S. to Gen. Ross regarding Marauding and Plundering by the Troops, etc. "*It is proper to seize Cotton when it belongs to a Rebel in Arms. All sales of Cotton south of the line of Wolf River, are null and void, as being made outside of our lines. It is proper to seize all cotton likely to be destroyed by the Rebels, or likely to be removed further south to keep it out of our Lines. I do not think it the intention of the Government to seize the Cotton of peaceable and inoffensive Citizens. No Officer or Soldier has any right to seize anything or take any private property whatever except forage except by order of Division Commanders and then the property to be turned over to the Chief Q. M. to be disposed of by issue, according to the necessities of the Service, Provisions, Cattle or Stock of any kind if seized by other than the Orders of Division, is plundering and every Soldier or Officer must be arrested and punished who is guilty. . . . The necessities of*

the Army will require all that Families and Farms can spare without being subject to individual plundering of Officers and Soldiers. You must treat all such Cases with an iron hand. You are authorized to issue a limited amount of subsistence to families who have been deprived of food by the rapacity of our soldiers. Issue freely of Corn Meal." 3 pp., 4to. Head Qrs., Left Wing, Nov. 22, '62. \$15.00

87. HAMILTON, GEN. CHARLES SMITH. A. L. S. to Gen. Ross introducing Dr. Hamlin of the Sanitary Commission from Ohio. *"He comes very highly recommended and wishes to visit the Ohio Troops, please afford him such facilities and Courtesies as may be in your power,"* etc. 4to. Head Qrs., Left Wing, Army of the Tennessee, Nov. 24, 1862. \$3.50

88. HAMILTON, GEN. CHARLES SMITH. A. L. S. Fine War Letter to Gen. Ross saying "I want a train of 90 Wagons tomorrow morning at 10 a. m. with a guard of 300 men from one of your best Regiments and under the command of some Field Officer who can and will control his men and keep them together and prevent all pillaging and straggling. . . . The Troops will not return until the second day and must take a day's Rations in Haversacks." 4to. Head Qrs., Dec. 13, '62. \$8.50

89. HAMILTON, GEN. CHARLES SMITH. Original Autograph Telegram signed to Gen. Ross. *"Please come here in person as soon as possible."* 4to. Gen. Grant's Hd. Qrs., Dec. 21, '62. \$3.00

90. HAMPTON, WADE. Officer in the Revolution with Marion and Sumter. After the War served in Congress. Brigadier General in the War of 1812. A. L. S. to Seaborn Jones the Georgia Lawyer regarding a Lawsuit against a certain Beale and supplying him with money for the necessary "operations." 3 pages, 4to. Congaree, 1788. \$12.50

A Rare Southern Autograph. Hampton acquired a very large fortune by land speculation, and at his death was the Wealthiest Planter in the South owning over 3000 slaves. He is described as a *"fair example of the old-fashioned slaveholding Oligarchs, of a high, proud, stern and inflexible Character and ably administering his Estates."*

91. HARING, JOHN. Member of the Continental Congress from New York. A. D. S. Certified Extract of the Minutes of Congress for May 13th, 1776. Order on PETER VAN BOUGH LIVINGSTON, Treasurer of the Colony of New York, to pay ROBERT BENSON, and JOHN MCKESSON the Amounts due them as Secretaries of Congress. Folio. In Provincial Congress, New York, 1st July, 1776. \$7.50

Rare.

92. HARMAR, JOSIAH. Soldier in the Revolution and famous Indian Fighter. D. S. *"Names and Rank of the Officers of the Pennsylvania Line who are at present in the Service of the United*

States and are willing to remain upon the Establishment agreeably to the Act of Congress passed April 7, 1785." The List includes 14 names of Officers headed by Colonel Harmar's own. Folio. Fort McIntosh, May 24, 1785. \$7.50

Interesting autograph of this noted American Commander. In 1789 he became General in Chief of Army and in 1790 he commanded the unfortunate Expedition against the Miami Indians.

93. HAZARD, JONATHAN J. Of Rhode Island. Member of the Continental Congress and Leader of the Paper Money Party. Signature on R. I. Bill for Forty Shillings. Inlaid. Newport, 1786. \$3.00

94. HERBERT, HENRY WILLIAM. Author of many Historical Novels and of many well-known Sporting Works published under the name of FRANK FORESTER. Very pathetic A. L. S. written to a friend in Boston, by the name of Andrews, fully explaining the extreme poverty he was then living in, and his very uncertain prospects for the future. 2 pages, 8vo. The Cedars, Dec. 11, 1857. \$15.00

The Writer in the February following contracted an unfortunate Marriage and on May 17, 1858, shot himself.

95. HESSIANS IN THE REVOLUTION. Muster Roll of Major Waldenberg's Company of Infantry of the Hereditary Prince of Hesse's Forces, from 25th Dec., 1781 to June 24, 1782. Signed by Major Waldenberg, Lieut. De Kendell, Ensign Wyneken and I. F. de Lochenhausen, the Colonel in Command. Also by WILLIAM PORTER, the American Commissary of Prisoners, the Entire Regiment having surrendered at Yorktown, Oct. 19, 1781. 3 pp., folio. June 24, 1782. \$35.00

Rare and Interesting Revolutionary Record. The Names of the Hessians include a large number very prevalent in New York today.

96. HILLHOUSE, JAMES. Assistant Judge in the New Haven Court. D. S. Writ in the suit of Pierpont Edwards against Edward Carrington, Administrator of Jonas Green. 4to. New Haven, 1790. \$3.00

97. HILLHOUSE, JAMES. State Senator of Connecticut. Very fine A. L. S. to Governor Samuel Huntington enclosing him "*a Law which Congress have passed authorizing the Creditor States to transfer such part of their outstanding debts, this law will enable Connecticut to exonerate herself entirely from Debt, a Circumstance which must give sensible pleasure to every one who sincerely wishes her prosperity and happiness,*" etc., etc. 4to, with Address and endorsement. Philadelphia, 1795. \$15.00

98. HILLHOUSE, JAMES. Captain of the Governor's Foot-Guards when Tryon raided New Haven in 1779. Treasurer of Yale from 1782 till his death in 1832. A. L. S. to Capt. James Goodrich respecting the payment of "*the Irishmen who work on the North*

half" of some College building to the amount of \$428 which they were anxious to get and suggesting that each man should receive a Certificate for the amount due them, which would entitle them to payment in 30 days. Folio. Cheshire, 1827. \$6.00

99. HOLDEN, THOMAS. Colonel in the Rhode Island Line. A. L. S. to Lt. Col. Tillinghast "*By Vertue of a Resolve of the Counsell of War and by order of General Sullivan I have to direct that you call together the Richments under your Command in East Grinwich to meat at East Grinwich on Fryday next at nine o'clock in order to go on to Newport as the Botes will be there afryday Night. I will see that those from Warwick are there by that time, also all the Delinkquents in the first Division that are not gon forred.*" 4to. East Grinwich, Aug. 19, 1778. \$6.00

Col. Holden was elected a Member of the Continental Congress but was too busy fighting to attend.

100. HOLDEN, THOMAS. Of Rhode Island. Member of the Continental Congress. Autograph Receipt Signed for £100 being his fee as one of a Committee to estimate ratable property in the State. Inlaid. July 18, 1779. \$3.00

101. HOLMES, OLIVER WENDELL. The "Autocrat of the Breakfast Table." Unique and very humorous A. L. S. to Dr. Thomas Hill, President of Harvard College sending him a Burlesque list of Questions and Answers for a Natural History Class. 4 pages, 8vo. Boston, Dec. 14, 1863. \$75.00

An exceptionally Fine and Interesting Holmes Letter which he wrote and donated to the Great Western Sanitary Fair in Cincinnati, 1863, through Dr. Hill. Some of the Questions and Answers of which there are ten read:

1. "*What Animal produces one of its own Parents?* Answer. The Beaver, which is well known to construct its own Dam."

3. What is the largest Quadruped? Answer. The Mole of Adrian.

9. What Instance can you give of the Cunning of Serpents? A. Answer. The Familiar fact that they secrete their venom where they can find it when wanted.

11. Why do the above questions amuse you more than the Answers? Because the person who asks the question is the querist. . . .

"I doubt about the Introduction of Capital Punishment as a Part of the ordinary College Discipline. It will have a good effect no doubt on Survivors but Query as to its impression upon parents, etc., etc. Laid in is President Hill's acknowledgment of the Letter on behalf of the Sanitary Commission."

102. HOLMES, OLIVER WENDELL. Original Manuscript poem, signed twice with Initials O. W. H. Three stanzas of 8 lines each written with a very broad pen or quill. One Signature reads, "*O. W. H. penna plana sculpsit.*" One page, folio. (Boston), May 31, 1882. \$40.00

"Leave us to fight the Tyrant Creeds
Who felt their Shackles, feel their Scars;
The Cheerful Sunlight little heeds
The Brutes that prowled beneath the Stars;
The Dawn is here; the daystar shows
The Spirits of many a Battle won,
But Sin and Sorrow still are foes
That face us in the morning sun."

103. HOOD, SAMUEL. Lord Hood. British Admiral in Command of the North American Station, 1767-70. Engaged with Graves in the Action off the Chesapeake, 1781, and repulsed De Grasse off Basseterre. A. L. S. written as Governor of Greenwich Hospital to Francis Freeling, Secretary of the English Post Office, with complaints of Over-Charges and many other Irregularities prevailing among the sorting Clerks. With 2 fine old portraits. 4to. Greenwich, 1807. \$6.00

A VERY RARE NORTH CAROLINA SIGNER'S LETTER, 1776

104. HOOPER, WILLIAM. Signer of the Declaration of Independence for North Carolina, and Member of the First Marine Committee. A very Long and Important Historical Autograph Letter signed to his Fellow Signer from North Carolina, JOSEPH HEWES, and of Extra special Interest as having been delivered by JOHN PENN, the third North Carolina Signer. He commences "*My dear Friend. MR. PENN having come to a determination to leave this City (Philadelphia), immediately and to attend the Convention in North Carolina, nothing is left to my Choice but to submit with patience to the allotment which it necessarily makes of me, and not to murmur at a disappointment which it was not in my power to prevent. You well know that I had it in contemplation to have been present at the passing a Constitution for the Future Government of our Colony and as I am likely to spend my days under the Influence of it, it may be naturally supposed that I do not feel myself altogether indifferent to what may be the result of the Publick deliberation on this important subject. Superficial as my Knowledge may be of the theoretical principles of Governments yet from an intimate Observation of the late Experiments which have been made in several States I profess myself not a mere novice in the practical line and I think I have profited somewhat from the Blunders of others. This mite I should be happy to contribute. Trifling as it is, it would serve as an Evidence of the Good Faith of my Intentions. The Present Situation of my Family in a part of the Country to which I have the fullest confidence that General Howe will transfer part of his Force as soon as the Winter begins excites my most anxious solicitude for their future Security and an earnest desire that I could afford them my Personal Assistance to remove them at a greater distance from the Impending Horror of War. But I have still a duty superiour to all these which supersedes every tie of private affection and every connection in publick life that is not essential to the salvation to the liberties of America. Yes, we are upon the verge of that important moment which tho' it may not decide, yet must have a very important influence upon the state of these colonies in the future struggle for their liberties. Gen. Washington at the head of an army of 25,000, Howe perhaps with a number not inferior to him, at half a mile's distance from each other, and in expectation every*"

instant of a general action when the stake they fight for are the liberties of millions living and unborn." He warns Hewes that the Colonies must expect reverses and that Congress must have full powers and energy and that "*the Honour is empty unaccompanied by the fatigues which attend it.* . . . Mr. Penn will inform you of the check we have received at the Lakes, it is unfortunate but not dishonourable & even our enemies do us the justice to confess that they never saw examples of more determined heroism. Every moment we expect an attack at Ticonderoga. We shall I hope & trust play a winning game and repair our late loss. . . . I enclose you the Constitutions of several States for the speculation of yourself and friends. That of Pennsylvania . . . has since made its solemn exit in this City. . . . The Monster which they called a Government has expired with the political existence of those who created it. . . . The Constitution of the Jersies has its full energy and gives general satisfaction. . . . That of Delaware is much commended," etc. 9 pages and addressed wrapper. 4to. Philadelphia, Oct. 27, 1776. \$650.00

The Finest known of all William Hooper's very rare Autographs AND THE ONLY SIGNER'S LETTER EXTANT ASSOCIATING TOGETHER ALL THE SIGNERS OF ANY ONE COLONY. The Letter is enclosed in a wrapper with Hooper's fine red wax seal and addressed in his hand "*To Joseph Hewes, Esquire. In his Absence to Samuel Johnston, Esq., at Halifax. By Favor of Mr. Penn.*"

105. HOOPER, WILLIAM. A. L. S. commencing "*Gentlemen, Upon casting your eyes over the Contents of the enclosed Letters you will observe the purpose which they are intended to effect. I must therefore request of you, forthwith, and without delay that you dispatch a special messenger to Mrs. Moore with the letter addressed to her and that which it covers, as I wish that the letter to John should pass if possible through her hands. But if this cannot be done, seal the letter addressed to John and send it to him. Send hers when occasion offers. Pardon this trouble,*" etc. Folio. Hillsborough, N. C., 1788. \$125.00

Very Scarce. With the Writer's very fine and unusual Signature, "Will Hooper."

106. HOPKINS, STEPHEN. Signer of the Declaration of Independence for Rhode Island. D. S. Order on the Treasurer to pay Samuel Chase, Postmaster of Providence, fixe pounds old Tenor for postage of the Government Letters and charge to the Colony of Rhode Island. Signed "*Steph Hopkins, Gov.*" Small 4to. Sept. 7, 1756. \$17.50

107. HOWARD, OLIVER OTIS. General throughout the Civil War. Afterwards conducted several Campaigns against the Indians. A. L. S. to Col. A. H. Markland of the Military Post Office testifying his thorough appreciation and satisfaction with Col. Markland's Services in connection with the Army of the Tennessee, etc., etc. 3 pp., folio. Washington, May 22, 1865. \$12.50

An extremely Fine Civil War Letter. Gen. Howard lost his Right Arm at the Battle of Fair Oaks and his Letters are rare.

108. HOWE, JULIA WARD. Daughter of Samuel Ward, the Banker, Author of "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" and Leader in the Woman's Suffrage Party. Original Manuscript signed in full of a Powerful Article entitled, "*Is Woman advancing, from a Moral, Educational, and Physical Standpoint?*" Clearly written on 17 pages, 4to. n. d. \$27.50

A Fine Manuscript by one of the most distinguished American Women of Recent Times.

109. HOWELL, DAVID. Member of the Continental Congress for Rhode Island. Professor in Brown University. State Attorney General. Long and Important A. L. S. to General Green, giving him the results of the last Rhode Island Election including his own election to Congress in opposition to Gen. Varnum, saying "*this is not the first instance of popular delusion. . . . I am happy to find the present Members of Congress, men of superior Abilities to what I had conceived. Some men of great Learning are among their numbers, little of my assistance is required. . . . You will be informed of the result of the late meeting of Commissioners for establishing a general Cartel—no other will be consented to. By the Resolves of Congress you will see they have endeavored to guard the people against the insidious Views of the Enemy. My official Letters to the State will discover that I never yet conceived the British Cabinet sincerely disposed to establish peace on honorable terms . . . his Mulish Majesty has not yielded to our Independence. Next Winter effectual Negotiations may take place. . . . You will observe that distrust is the Mother of Security. You think we have had too much of this at home and too little abroad. A virtuous Jealousy even over our own Ruler is Proper. . . . When no more Laurels are to be won in the South I shall be one of many to who will bid you a cordial welcome to your native place,*" etc., etc. 4 pages, large folio. Philadelphia, Oct. 18, 1782. \$35.00

Fine Rhode Island Letter mentioning many well known people.

110. HOWELLS, WILLIAM DEAN. Long A. L. S. to James Osgood, the Publisher, regarding the writing of a Story for Mr. Alden such as he wanted, "*that is, it will have to do with ordinary American Character, though I hope to render the Circumstances entirely 'exceptional' and it will be as much a Story of 'American Life and Character' as the Lady of the Aroostook was. I have told you of my wish to contrast the nascent nationality and the dying nationality of Venice in the Adventures of a Young Puritan ship Captain who sails from Salem or Duxbury for Venice about 1790 and gets fallen in love with by a Beautiful and Noble Venetian,*" etc. 4 pages, 8vo. U. S. Consulate, Toronto, 1882. \$8.50

An exceptionally Nice Howells Letter.

111. HUNTINGTON, BENJAMIN. Member of the Continental Congress. Yale Graduate. Practised Law at Norwich, Conn.

A. D. S. Complaint in the case of *Christopher Reed* against *Ebenezer Fillmore* to recover a small parcel of Land in the Town of Norwich. 2 pages, folio. Norwich, 1772. \$5.00

Also signed by Prosper Wetmore the Constable.

112. HUNTINGTON, BENJAMIN. Member of the Continental Congress. A. L. S. marked "private" to Governor Huntington regarding his Election as State Senator for Connecticut. Also giving details regarding Financial Business then being considered. Folio. New York, 1790. \$5.00

113. HUNTINGTON, EBENEZER. Revolutionary General, born in Norwich, Conn. Yale Graduate. Served under Col. Samuel Wyllys, Gen. Parsons, Gen. Heath and Gen. Lincoln. Considered one of the best Disciplinarians in the Army. Short A. L. S. written as Adjutant General to General Daniel Larned transmitting an order from the Captain General. 4to. Norwich, 2 June, 1794. \$5.00

114. HUNTINGTON, EBENEZER. Confidential A. L. S. to his Friend John McClellan, on the subject of a Pension. "*When you increased my debt last Winter with a new loan, I was in hopes that I should be able to extract myself from all embarrassments at least for the present but I was mistaken. I find that necessity will compel me to ASK A PENSION, to enable me to subsist myself and family. I feel unwilling to take this step without the counsel of my Friends and more particularly yourself, my largest Creditor. If you can persuade yourself to come and see me I shall be much gratified when I will explain my intentions and take your advice.*" June 25, 1824. \$6.00

115. HUNTINGTON, JABEZ WILLIAM. Nephew of Gen. Jedidiah Huntington, Yale Graduate, practised law in Litchfield for 30 years, Judge of the Superior Court of Connecticut and U. S. Senator. A. L. S. to John McClellan of Woodstock "*Will you send me a few names of Abolitionists in Woodstock and Ashford to whom it would be useful to send a Copy of Mr. Adams' late Speech on the subject of Abolition,*" etc. 8vo. Washington, Dec. 30, 1843. \$4.00

116. HURLBUT, GEN. STEPHEN A. Served in the Florida War, Member of the Illinois Bar, 1845, and Member of the Legislature. Brigadier General at Fort Donelson, Pittsburgh Landing, Shiloh, Memphis and Corinth. A. L. S. to Gen. Ross "*I wish you to examine into charge again McNeal; give him every reasonable opportunity to disprove the charge. But if proven hold him to the last extent of Liability. You can commence this afternoon if convenient.*" 4to. Bolivar, Tenn., Sept. 27, 1862. \$4.00

117. HURLBUT, GEN. STEPHEN A. A. L. S. with instructions: "*By dispatch just received from Gen. Grant I am informed*

the Railroad has been cut six miles, south of Bethel. You will re-inforce Engelmann's pickets with another Regiment tonight and use every caution as to the Security of our Communications North. The Cavalry which went on the North Pardy Road went out 18 miles found no traces of an Enemy." 4to. Head Qrs., 4th Division, Oct. 2, 1862. \$6.00

118. HURLBUT, GEN. STEPHEN A. A. L. S. to Gen. Ross. *"I have heard nothing of you last night and hear no Guns this morning. When you have completed your work, if you are satisfied there is no force of considerable size North of Wolf River, push one Battalion of Cavalry round through Somerville and smash that nest of Traitors and Guerillas there. All is quiet here."* 4to. Head Qrs., 4th Div., Bolivar, Oct. 10th. \$5.00

119. HURLBUT, GEN. STEPHEN A. A. L. S. to Gen. Ross saying *"The Enemy are in greater force than I expected. You will watch your flanks, especially on the La Grange Side. The Country around Davis Mills is very rough and you may find trouble in working the Artillery down. Be as rapid as possible, but Cautious and when you strike, strike HARD. The thing to be done under Gen. Grant's Order is to destroy the Bridge or force them to do so. Listen for Cars tonight, Reconnoitre closely finish the work and return as soon as possible. Even if you whip them severely, you must not pursue too far, for they still have the Railroad and may have been joined by Van Dorn. I shall expect you back day after tomorrow. Keep me advised from time to time of all that is being done."* 2 pages, 4to. Head Qrs., 3 p. m. 9th Oct. (1862). \$8.50

AUTOGRAPH OF THE FOUNDER OF LOUISIANA, 1703

120. IBERVILLE, PIERRE LE MOYNE, SIEUR D'. An extremely fine Historical A. L. S. in French to M. Touenard at Paris asking information concerning certain Islands belonging to Spain. 2 pages, with address and seal. 4to. Rochefort, 18th September, 1703. \$450.00

AN AMERICAN AUTOGRAPH OF THE VERY GREATEST RARITY AND HISTORICAL IMPORTANCE. D'Iberville, who was the founder of Louisiana, visited the mouth of the Mississippi river in March, 1699, and there built Fort Biloxi, the first outpost. He transferred his Colony to Mobile in 1701, and so began the colonization of Alabama. Iberville is considered to be the finest type of navigator that Canada and France have produced. He was with De Troye on his overland expedition from Canada against the English Forts on Hudson's Bay in 1688-9, and was associated with Frontenac, Ponchartrain, and other noted soldiers. The Translation of the Letter reads "Monsieur de Surgere is not going to La Vera Cruz. He is only to go to the Isle of La Martinique and to St. Domingue and from there to return here. I shall have the means of getting the letter delivered to the person of whom you spoke to me either by myself or by the Ship of the Mississippi which will set out with me. You would have given me pleasure in detailing to me as to the settlement of the Isles of St. Gabriel in the River de la Plate, whether they are considerable, in what consists their riches whether they are worth the trouble of taking, how many leagues there are in the river and approximately the men and the settlement

which is on the main land. If you give me these details as well as the other particulars of that country—the advantages which France would draw from it, and Spain; if there is plenty of water at the entrance of the River de la Plate on the bar, if one could anchor beyond the bar under shelter, if there is any estuary of importance, you would do me pleasure in sending them to me. I would cause you to be rewarded, as also for informing me what you know of the forces of the Portuguese of Janeiro and the bay of all the places of their other settlements. I am with all my heart Monsieur, Yours very humble servant, D'Iberville."

"What do you think of the war with Portugal of which they speak? I am preparing to start at the beginning of November."

121. ILLINOIS AUTOGRAPHS. Letters and Documents written by Prominent Illinois Politicians and Statesmen, including Isaac N. Arnold (3); Chief Justice John D. Caton; U. S. Circuit Judge Thomas Drummond (5); Representative Robert R. Hitt (2); Owen Lovejoy (2); Norman B. Judd; Congressman William R. Morrison (3). With 16 portraits. Together 33 pieces. 1862-1893. \$20.00

An Interesting Illinois lot.

122. INGERSOLL, ROBERT GREEN. Famous Orator and Lawyer, Attorney General of Illinois in 1866, Author of many works against the Christian Religion. Interesting A. L. S. remonstrating with an Editor for not reporting him correctly. *"My dear Mr. Coates. It is not pay that I want. When I give an Interview to the 'World' I want it published exactly as I gave it, if it is published. I do not ask that it shall be published but I object to its being changed, or partly published. I have given an interview on the questions you submitted and I want it to appear as an interview, not as a Communication or an Essay. Thanking you for your kind letter,"* etc. 2 pages, 4to. New York, 1897. \$10.00

ON LAMB'S "TALES FROM SHAKESPEARE"

123. IRVING, WASHINGTON. Very charming A. L. S. to Miss Sally McLane, the daughter of his great Friend Louis McLane, Jackson's Secretary of State and well-known Foreign Minister. He commences *"My darling little woman. It grieves me to hear that you have a return of those Abominable Chills, and that I am not to have the pleasure of escorting you and your Mamma to Wilmington. I send you a very pleasant Book to amuse you during your illness. It contains a set of Tales formed from the plays of Shakespeare, and very well executed by one of the best living writers in England. When you have read these tales I beg you will relate them to your sister Lydia, as she is not yet able to give her mind to abstruse Studies of the kind. When you get to Philadelphia I hope you will write to me and let me know how you like your School and how many prizes you get. I trust you will distinguish yourself there as your accomplished sister Rebecca did before you, and thus fit yourself like her to be a blessing to your Family and an ornament to the President's Levées. Which is all at pres-*

ent, my dear and good little girl from your Friend Washington Irving." 2 pp., 8vo. Baltimore, 1833. \$85.00

An exceptionally Fine Irving Letter. Not included in Pierre Irving's "Life and Letters" which however, contains a Letter from Irving to Louis McLane, speaking of "dear darling little Sally."

MURRAY'S CONTRACT FOR THE "PRAIRIE TOUR"

124. IRVING, WASHINGTON. Interesting A. L. S. from John Murray the great London Publisher to Col. Aspinwall, the representative of Washington Irving. *"I have now had the means of reading the Prairies leisurely, in the Proof Sheets, and I am so well satisfied with the merits of it, as to offer the sum of Four Hundred Pounds payable in 4 months from the Second of March for the Copyright of the Volume. With many thanks for your Civilities in this Affair and for renewing my, for a very long while, agreeable connexion with Washington Irving for whom I have ever retained much esteem I remain,"* etc., etc. 8vo. Albemarle St., 1835. \$50.00

An extremely interesting Irving Record. John Murray in 1820 had declined the Publication of the "SKETCH BOOK" and it was issued by James Miller, who failed, and Murray was then induced to take it in hand through the friendly offices of Sir Walter Scott, paying Two hundred pounds for it which was increased to Four hundred by Murray as soon as the Success of the Book was evident. Murray afterwards paid very high prices for "Bracebridge Hall" the "Conquest of Granada" and the Life and Voyages of Columbus.

125. IRVING, WASHINGTON. Very nice A. L. S. to Benson J. Lossing, Historian of the Revolution, thanking him for information he had supplied to Irving for use in the Completion of his "Life of Washington," and also discussing with Mr. Lossing details of the operation of the ASTOR LIBRARY, then nearing Completion and of which Irving was at the time president. *"For the anecdotes concerning Washington . . . I have had information to the same purport from other sources though not so full in some of the details; and all additional facts are valuable. . . . Mr. Cogswell made a memorandum of what I said upon the subject. . . . We leave the choice of . . . interior arrangement . . . and library to him. When the library goes into complete operation, which will be in the ensuing month, it will be seen whether the number of attendants already engaged is sufficient. I am rejoiced to hear that the stereotype plates and engravings of your Field Book, escaped the conflagration at the Harper establishment for they ought to be productive of a permanent income to you,"* etc. 3 pp., 8vo, with envelope. Sunnyside, Jany. 23, 1854. \$50.00

126. IRVING, WASHINGTON. A. L. S. to George Lunt signed in full. *Accept my sincere thanks for the Copy of your work which you have had the goodness to send me and for the great pleasure I have derived from the very interesting and agreeable pictures*

which it presents of domestic Life in New England," etc. One page, 12mo. Sunnyside, Feb. 3, 1855. \$17.50

Interesting Specimen. George Lunt was the Author of many well known New England poems and Sketches.

A GRAND ANDREW JACKSON LETTER

127. JACKSON, ANDREW. Seventh president of the U. S. Interesting A. L. S. to Governor Daniel D. Tompkins of New York regarding the Resolutions passed by the State. "*Sir. The Resolution of the Legislature of New York which you were charged to transmit to me expressive of their gratitude to myself and my brave associates in Arms for the preservation of New Orleans was received in due time; but a multiplicity of Business presented me from acknowledging its receipt sooner. For myself and my associates I beg to return the most sincere thanks for the kind manner in which that respectable body has been pleased to speak of our Exertions. Undoubtedly those Exertions were attended with very extraordinary success, but no more I think than we may always look for when our Cause is just and Heaven is on our side. No Soldiers in the World are more capable than ours of the "Highest Military Results" when they fight for the dear Inheritance of their Independence, if a fair opportunity be afforded them of displaying the Qualities which really belong to them.*" 2 pages, 4to. George Town, Nov. 18, 1815. \$60.00

128. JACKSON, ANDREW. "Old Hickory." Seventh President of the U. S. A. L. S. to Col. Frances Preston at the Saltworks near Abingdon, Va., in regard to Castings at an Iron Foundry they were both interested in, and directing him to sell at cost if it was impossible to do better. Folio. Wythe, 1804. \$37.50

An unusually fine Jackson Letter. In 1804, he resigned his Judgeship in the Supreme Court of Tennessee in order to devote his attention exclusively to his Private Affairs. He paid up all his debts and engaged extensively both in planting and trade in which he acquired high reputation for fair and honorable dealing. In all his Life however the Hero of New Orleans never learned to write correctly.

129. JACKSON, ANDREW. Military Document signed by Andrew Jackson as Major General, being the Provision return for the Tennessee Volunteers for one day, setting the number of complete rations for 565 men. Folio. Washington Cantonment, Feb. 23, 1813. \$20.00

Valuable and interesting War of 1812 Record, giving the names of Jackson's 13 Officers.

130. JAMES, HENRY. Originator of the "International" Novel. A. L. S. to James Osgood, the Publisher, in reference to several of his best known works: . . . "*I wanted to say to you among other things, that since I saw you last I have been induced to review my decision about offering my unfortunate little play to*

Mr. Field. I have received from Aldrich, in Paris, such an urgent appeal to let him have the piece to print in the Atlantic that though I have not yet written him in the Affirmative it seems to me the best thing to do. . . . I send you by this Post 'THE POINT OF VIEW' of which I spoke. I will send you tomorrow a Copy of the 'PENSION BEAUREPAIRE.' . . . If I don't hear from you that it is your ardent belief that Field will jump at 'DAISY MILLER' I will give it up to Aldrich who appears quite to yearn for it," etc., etc. 6 pp., 8vo. 3 Bolton St., about 1882. \$17.50

The "Unfortunate little play" alludes to the dramatization of Daisy Miller.

131. JAMES, G. P. R. A. L. S. to James Melvin asking him for information about an American Poet "*of the name of Mary West . . . if I am not mistaken I have seen in some of the Journals of the U. S. some very sweet Poetry signed by her.*" 4to. Paris, n. d. \$3.50

132. JAMISON, DAVID. Recorder of New York, 1712-1725. D. S. Sworn deposition of two Mariners of the Sloop "Phenix" in the case of Ichabod Louttit, Mate of the Phenix, against Bowker. Signed twice by the Recorder. New York, Mayor's Court, 1720. \$10.00

A Very Rare old New York Autograph.

WESTCHESTER IN THE REVOLUTION, 1777

133. JAY, JOHN. President of the Continental Congress. Washington's First Secretary of State and First Chief Justice of the U. S. *The Papers and Proceedings of the New York Committee on Plots and Conspiracies in the Case of Cadwallader Colden.* Signed by Jay as Chairman. 6 pages, folio. Connor's Tavern, Fishkill, Nov., 1776-Jan., 1777. \$75.00

THE ORIGINAL REPORT of this Famous Investigation into the Actions of the Son of Governor Colden: "Whereas a Number of Persons Principal Inhabitants of this State who for some time affected a Neutrality of Conduct in the present contest have lately joined the Enemy's Army and have been privy to aiding or assisting in their Wicked Conspiracies against the Liberties of the United States in Violation of the Sacred Engagements which many of them had entered into to observe a peaceable and inoffensive Conduct and whereas it appears unquestionably to this Committee that many Companies of Men in different Counties of this State have actually enlisted in the Enemies Service many of which persons are intimately connected with or dependent on persons of suspicious or equivocal Characters, and Whereas this State is at present invaded with a powerful Army who have already penetrated into the County of Westchester and whose Ships of War occupy the Navigation of Hudsons River. . . . And whereas Cadwallader Colden hath been represented as a person who hath long been notoriously disaffected to the American Cause and who from his disposition and influence as well from his Vicinity to the Enemy may justly be considered too dangerous to be permitted longer to remain at his present abode. . . . Ordered that Captain Lush do forthwith apprehend the said Cadwallader Colden and carefully and diligently examine all his Papers," etc., etc. After the examination of Mr. Colden it was ordered that

he be sent to Boston at his own Expense and to remain there under the supervision of the Select Men of that Town. Contains 5 line Endorsement by Jay as Chairman.

134. JAY, JOHN. Official L. S. to General Benjamin Lincoln ordering him and his Army to remain in South Carolina and promising reinforcements. "*. . . You will perceive by an Act of Congress of the 10th of which the enclosed is a Copy, that your Compliance with the Request of the Governor and Council of South Carolina to defer leaving the State perfectly corresponds with their wishes. Virginia and N. Carolina have been lately requested by Congress to forward the Troops destined for your Army with all possible despatch. John Jay, President.*" Folio. Philadelphia, Aug. 12, 1779. \$12.00

135. JONES, SAMUEL. Member of the Continental Congress for New York. Indian Commissioner under Schuyler. A. L. S. to John Richardson, the Oneida Agent, regarding his Accounts. "*General Schuyler has lately sent me the Accounts of the Agents appointed in 1795 to negotiate with the Oneida, Onondaga and Cayuga Indians; among which is your Account amounting to £1142.17.8 but not accompanied with a single Voucher. I must therefore request you to deliver me the necessary Vouchers immediately that the Accounts may be settled.*" 4to. Albany, 1798. \$4.00

CURIOUS KINGSTON LAW CASE, 1767

136. KEMPE, JOSEPH. Prominent Old New York Counsellor. Long and very able Legal A. L. S. delivering his Opinion to Adam Swart and William Elsworth, Overseers of Kingston, regarding proceedings in the case of a destitute Woman who had been moved backwards and forwards from Shawengunck and Kingston, the Authorities of those places being unwilling to provide for her. Severely reflects upon the Conduct of all the Officials concerned especially Jacobus Bruyn, one of the Overseers who had been indicted. 3 pages, folio. New York, 1767. \$15.00

A Rare Legal Autograph.

137. KEMPE, WILLIAM. Attorney General of New York. D. S. Complaint in the Case of Alexander Lightfoot against James Thompson for Assault and Battery. On vellum, 4to. Supreme Court, New York, 1754. \$3.50

Rare.

138. KEMPENFELT, RICHARD. British Admiral. Served in the West and East Indies. At the reduction of Manilla in 1762. Drowned by the sinking of his ship "The Royal George" with some 600 persons on board, off Spithead in 1782. Autograph Memorandum signed, relating to Signalling regulations. Oblong 12mo. May, 1782. \$3.50

Kempenfelt's Alterations and Improvements in signalling were adopted by Lord Howe.

139. KITTREDGE, C. W. Colonel of the 36th Iowa Infantry. A. L. S. to Gen. C. B. Fisk in reference to Gen. Ross strictures on the Conduct of the Pickets of the 36 Iowa Reg., and promising that hereafter the Pickets should be properly relieved and returned to Camp. 2 pages, 4to. Head Quarters, Helena, Ark., April 29, 1863. \$2.50

140. KOSCIUSZKO, THADDEUS. Polish General in the Revolutionary War. Principal Engineer at Bemis Heights and at West-point. A. L. S. in French, thanking his correspondent for having forwarded him a letter from Thomas Jefferson and expressing exceeding great pleasure at what he considered the complete Victory of the Americans over the British in the War of 1812. 4to. Soleure, April 15, 1816. \$35.00

A Very Rare and Interesting Revolutionary Autograph. For several years previously Kosciuszko had been engaged in fighting the Prussians, Austrians and Russians in the Cause of Poland. He was buried in Cracow Cathedral, beside Poniatowski and John Sobieski.

141. LAFAYETTE, MARQUIS DE. Interesting Letter signed, to one of his Friends in America expressing his views on Louisiana then a French Possession, and of which the purchase by America was then under discussion. Written in French. The English translation reads "*The accident which happened to me will have no consequences. I hope as much can be said of our Diplomatic Differences. You must certainly have been in an embarrassing situation; my opinions on the Louisiana Project were known to you long ago. In 30 years from now, when no one will trouble about it, this Colony will no longer belong to any European Power and that will be no misfortune to Europe or to the Cause of Humanity,*" etc. Also mentions Gen. Bernadotte, the French Agent in the Case. 2 pages, 4to. Paris, 1803. \$17.50

142. LAFAYETTE, MARQUIS DE. Long and Interesting Letter on Political Affairs, written in French. In English it reads in part "*When we read together the 'Etoile' my dear Constant, I gave you some notes on certain absurdities and lies. . . . I will not tell you anything on that expression of Jefferson, which after his death has been quoted, it is told, in certain obscure papers. The opinion of Jefferson in all his life has been most favorable to an entire freedom of the press without the smallest restriction. . . . Am sending you, marked, the fourth volume of the State Papers. You will see there a report of the three commissaries, under the presidency of Adams, whom the French Republicans, Barras, Talleyrand, Bonaparte, etc., treated as aristocrats . . . one of these plenipotentiaries, John Marshall, my old Companion in Arms, is now Chief Justice of the United States.*" With long discussion on the Liberty of the Press and the Power of the Postal Authorities in the United States over the Journals. 4 pages, folio. About 1812. \$27.50

Written to Benjamin Constant, the leading Orator and Political Writer in France at that Time.

143. LANSING, JOHN. Member of the Continental Congress. Opponent of the Federal Constitution, Mayor of Albany, Chancellor of New York. Mysteriously disappeared Dec. 12, 1829. A. L. S. to Lt. Col. Deroussie "*You will immediately man as many Batteaus as are at this port with such of the Canadian Corps as are now in Town and proceed with them without a Moment's Delay to Fish-Kills. Upon your arrival at that place you will instantly wait on the President of the Convention of this State and conform to his Directions as to your further proceedings.*" 4to. Head Quarters, Albany, Nov. 12, 1776. \$16.50

Signed as Military Secretary to Gen. Schuyler.

144. LANSING, JOHN. Speaker of the New York House of Assembly, etc. A. L. S. concerning an offer to purchase a Tract of Land belonging to Colonel Hay at Fort George which Mr. Caldwell was willing to take over at the foreclosure price. Folio. Albany, 1787. \$4.50

145. LAWRENCE, JOHN. Eminent at the New York Bar, Son-in-law of Gen. Alexander McDougall, Aide to Washington, Judge Advocate General at the André Trial. Long A. L. S. to SAMUEL JONES, First Comptroller of New York, regarding several large tracts of Land in the Royal Grant which had been bought by him under the Forfeiture Act and of which the title was defective. With long A. L. S. on same sheet by Samuel Jones in answer to same explaining the necessary procedure by which he might recover, concluding; "*The Demands upon the Treasury are large and the monies due the State come in very slow. You will therefore see that there is no necessity for you to be in haste for the Warrant.*" 3 pages, folio. Philadelphia and Albany, May 26-June 2, 1798. \$7.50

With List of the Lots, size, consideration and previous owners, in Lawrance's writing.

146. LEAVENWORTH, HENRY. Of New Haven, Conn. Distinguished Soldier in the War of 1812. Commanded the Expedition against the Arickaree Indians on the upper Missouri. Founded several Military posts on the Frontier including Fort Leavenworth, Ks. Characteristic and interesting A. L. S. to Col. John McNeil in which he says "*With you I lament that those who fight the Battles of their Country in the Field, should fare so much worse than those who fight their OWN Battles in the War Office. It is also a matter of Regret that the course pursued by the Government of this nation has ever been such as to preclude and forbid the idea of permanence or Stability in any Station or rank in our Army. We are the only Nation on Earth who dismiss from Service the War-worn Veteran and throw him on the unfeeling World to seek a precarious and scanty subsistence. . . . I have lately had the honor to receive a letter from Gen. Scott, in which he says that yourself, Col. Jesup and I shall be retained, that Gen. Brown*

can not think otherwise, and that he Gen. Scott would sacrifice his Commission rather than not have this selection made," etc., etc. 3 pages, 4to. Delhi, May 15, 1815. \$12.50

A Scarce Army Letter.

147. LEE, HENRY. "Light Horse Harry." Commander of "Lee's Legion." Member of the Continental Congress and Governor of Virginia. A. L. S. to William Sullivan of Boston. "*Col. John Taylor of Southampton County in this State has some pecuniary demands against some gentlemen of Boston. Easier I trust in their Circumstances than those known only to me by increasing Calamity. He asked me to recommend a proper professional character to him. I could not doubt a moment whom to name. You will herewith hear from Mr. Taylor and receive his papers. You have got to Philadelphia. No letter for me. I long to be put to rest,*" etc. 4to, with address. Richmond, 1797. \$20.00

Fine Specimen of this Famous Soldier's Writing.

148. LEE, ROBERT E. Interesting Official Letter signed by Lee as Chief Engineer of the Army in Mexico submitting to Gen. W. O. Butler several suggestions as to the future Disposition of the Officers and Men of the Engineering Forces, at the Conclusion of the War. "*As soon as the General is able to determine that Active Operations in Mexico are at an end, I would recommend that the Engineer Officers and Men be sent to the U. S. for duty. That the Engineer Commissariat and such property as has not been sold in Mexico be ordered to their proper station Westpoint. 2. That Capt. Barnard and Lt. Beauregard be ordered to New Orleans, in the neighbourhood of which are situated the works from which they were taken. . . . Should this distribution of Officers, etc., be adopted, I have to request the necessary orders as soon as practicable, as I wish to make some measurements at Perote and examine and measure the Road to Vera Cruz by the way of Orizaba,*" etc. One page, 4to. May 26 (1848). \$20.00

A Fine and Early General Lee Military Letter.

149. LEE, RICHARD HENRY. Signer of the Declaration and of the Articles of Confederation for Virginia. President of the Continental Congress. A. D. S. Autograph Statement signed showing balance in favor of Mrs. Richard from the Estate of Mr. Turner showing a payment of Fifty Pounds by COL. WASHINGTON. 4to. 1790. \$25.00

150. LEGGETT, MORTIMER DORMER. Colonel of the 78th Ohio Infantry at Fort Donelson and Shiloh. Brigadier General at Champion Hills and Vicksburg. Interesting L. S. to Gen. Ross regarding a pension for an Old Union Spy named Ruggles. "*I kept what was equivalent to a Diary all through the War, that is I wrote a letter to my wife every day. . . . A file of them I now have*

I looked them up for the Summer of 1862 and find that I acted under your directions quite frequently in sending Ruggles into the Enemies Camp. You will remember that I was at Grand Junction some considerable time in command reporting to you while your Head Quarters were at Bolivar. I find in these Diary Letters that a number of different times during that summer I sent Ruggles through the lines and made minutes of the Reports he brought back. This was also frequently done at Bolivar. . . . Whatever you can say for Ruggles in this matter please send directly to him addressed Loraine Ruggles, Washington, D. C. I have but very little faith that he will be able to recover any thing, for the reason there are no appropriations for such purpose and a Congress made up of Rebel Brigadiers is a bad body of men to make an appropriation for a Rebel Spy." 3 pp., 4to. Cleveland, O., 1880. \$10.00

151. LEGGETT, GEN. M. D. Autograph Report Signed of a Reconnoissance to Gen. Ross stating "No Troops at La Grange or the Junction except 8 or 10 Cavalry. A Portion of Braggs Infantry encamped on Wolf River, and a Camp Rumor there and at La-grange says they will move to La Grange in a day or two. The impression is that no attack on this place is contemplated further than to support the Cavalry in its efforts to cut off supplies. No Cavalry between here and the Junction except small parties of from four to eight. Thirty of Jackson's Cavalry left La Grange yesterday for neighborhood of Estanola." 4to. Aug. 7, 1862. \$12.00

152. LIVERMORE, SAMUEL. Member of the Continental Congress from New Hampshire. D. S. Printed Judgment in the case of Dennis Mars against John Deering. Small 4to. Falmouth, 1762. \$3.50

153. LIVERMORE, SAMUEL. Member of Congress and Attorney General for New Hampshire and undoubtedly the most powerful in that State in his time. A. L. S. to Col. Atkinson informing him of an "unfortunate occurrence" just happened at Chester, and sending him details of the "Conoror's Inquest and Depositions." "The plea in favour of the Prisoner is disorder of Mind or Lunacy. Other Circumstances might mitigate the Offence to Manslaughter only. I suppose it bailable; but this is humbly submitted," etc. Folio. Londonderry, 1773. \$7.00

154. LIVERMORE, SAMUEL. Member of the Continental Congress for New Hampshire. A. L. S. to his Colleague Benjamin West regarding their attendance in Congress. "I arrived at this place by way of Rhode Island the First of May and took my seat in Congress. People had heard that I had been delayed by Sickness, and that seemed a good excuse. But great enquiry was made for Mr. West. I made the best Apology I could—the engagements to your Clyents, etc., hoping you would set out for Congress immedi-

ately after the Sup. Court," etc., etc. 4to. New York, 1789. \$5.00

Benjamin West the Astronomer, now principally remembered for his Almanacs, although elected, never attended the Sessions of Congress.

155. LIVINGSTON, HENRY B. Colonel of the 4th N. Y. Regiment. Original drafts of two letters to Genl. Charles Lee. Very interesting information relating to the Movements, Conditions, etc., of the enemy on Long Island, and their treatment of the inhabitants there. *"I am clearly of opinion that with five hundred men tolerably well disciplin'd the Enemy at Huntington may without any Difficulty be surprised and taken, and all their other operations on the Island be retarded for some time at least . . . the whole number consists of twenty-three of which they keep a strong Guard and likewise they abuse and plunder the inhabitants shockingly insomuch that the Island groans under their oppression and ardently desire to be relieved. There are about one hundred Men collected together at Oyster Bay. . . . I have likewise been inform'd . . . that there are no Troops to be regarded westward of Huntington—likewise, the Troops at Huntington are commanded by Alexander Meness, Major, Cap. Woolsey the Money Maker, Cap. Main, Cap. Tulberd of the Light Horse, Capt. Ellison of Hempstead which consists of one hundred foot; they have likewise call'd the Marines from the Ships,"* etc. 3 pp., folio. New Haven, Nov. 28-30, 1776. \$35.00

156. LIVINGSTON, ROBERT R. Member of the Stamp Act Congress. Recorder of New York. On the Committee of Five appointed to draw up the Declaration of Independence. Administered the Oath to Gen. Washington at his Inauguration. Associated with Fulton in Steam-boat Navigation. Long War-Letter to his Brother, John R. Livingston at Boston. *"Mr. White will give you as much as I have yet been able to learn of the Situation of our Southern Army. Tho' the account is somewhat confused, yet it appears to me from our losing Cannon, and retreating so far that we have come off second best. A body of near 5000 men, it is said have landed in the Jerseys, it is generally thought they are foraging. . . . In the northward something decisive must shortly be done from the situation of the Armies. All these things must render trade very precarious. I would not therefore advise you to Launch further till you hear what turn affairs are likely to take,"* etc., etc. Folio. Rine Beck, Sep. 17, 1777. \$18.50

Fine Early War Letter.

157. LOGAN, GEN. JOHN A. Lieutenant of the 1st Illinois Infantry in the Mexican War and Colonel of the 31 Illinois at Belmont, Fort Henry and Fort Donelson. Commanded 3rd Division of the Army of the Tennessee at Vicksburg. A. L. S. to Gen. Ross marked *"Private"* and advising him from information just received *"it would be well enough to keep a sharp look for the Enemy during this night and more especially be on the alert from*

2 o'clock a. m. till day light in the morning." With postscript. "It would be well enough to order up one Regiment under Arms after 3 o'clock in the morning." Signed twice in full. 4to. (1863.) \$7.00

158. LONGFELLOW, H. W. Short A. N. S. to Fields, the Publisher. "Dear Fields. Will be with you before two o'clock. Delmonico impossible. With thanks. Yours always. H. W. L." 12mo. May 20th, 1871. \$6.00

159. LONGFELLOW, H. W. A. L. S. acknowledging the present of some Fruit and Flower Pieces painted by a young Japanese. Of them he says they are "*very cleverly done and show great delicacy of touch and design for a young Artist. Please give him my compliments and thanks and my best wishes for his Success,*" etc. 2 pages, 12mo, in neat black frame with portrait. Cambridge, 1872. \$17.50

160. LOWELL, JAMES RUSSELL. Long and Interesting Library Letter to CORNELIUS MATHEWS, the well-known Journalist and Editor, mostly in reference to his Famous Ode on which he had been warmly complimented by Mathews. In the Letter he states his own opinion of it. "*I try to write carefully and slowly, but I am too young yet—cannot do it. I always find that my first copy is my best, and that I only mar by endeavoring to make.*" Referring to the "*Boston Miscellany,*" edited by Nathan Hale, he writes: "*I do not know, however, whether he would trust me with the handling of a book which is not yet established. He has a much larger bump of caution than I. . . . Writing especially in prose is so irksome to me. My thoughts always run far before my pen, and by the time my pen overtakes it, it is too wearied to hold it fast. . . . I have just been admitted to the Boston Bar, and expect (however granting it may be) to get my bread by that drudgery.*" 4 pages, 4to. Boston, Feb. 14, 1842. \$90.00

Such an Intimate and Personal a Letter of Lowells is of extreme Rarity and Interest.

161. MARCY, WILLIAM L. Secretary of War under James Polk and Secretary of State under Franklin Pierce. Prominent in the settlement of the Oregon Boundary Question. A. L. S. to P. D. Vroom, Governor of New Jersey, written as GOVERNOR OF NEW YORK, regarding a Circular Letter he was sending to the Governors of the various States. Marked Private. 4to. Albany, 1834. \$2.00

162. MARTINEAU, HARRIET. Miscellaneous Writer on many Philosophic, Economic and Social Subjects. Visited America in 1834-6 and published her Experiences. Very long A. L. S. to MARY HENNEL, a well-known writer on Communistic and Cooperative Questions of her Times, stating at length her sentiments and experiences of the Christian Religion as Professed by those who spend their Lives in studying and teaching Christianity. "*When I see*

constantly before me a family who are almost wholly occupied with this pursuit, and who fail in the commonest moral Qualities; who are rapacious about money; jealous of their fame; untruthful in statement and dishonest in regard to speculative truth; professing fine philanthropy and parading their domestic affections, and yet declining, under audacious pretences, every duty that is not agreeable to their selfish selves—all the while inflicting daily pain by their bad tempers and insulting all the world (except the great) by their assumption of Superiority, and when I see how something like this if not so bad, exists wherever Christianity is the main business of life and subject of thought, I cannot linger fondly about its association nor hanker after its communion in any sense," etc., etc. Closely written on 12 pages, 12mo. Ambleside, 1860. \$15.00

A Very Remarkable Exposition of Miss Martineau's very pronounced Free-thinking Tendencies.

163. MCCLERNAND, GEN. JOHN ALEXANDER. With John A. Logan raised the McClernand Brigade at the outbreak of the War. In Jan., 1863, he succeeded Gen. Sherman in command of the Expedition to capture Vicksburg. A. L. S. to Gen. L. F. Ross advising him that "an Exchange of Cavalry will be made on Aug. 23 which will increase both in number and efficiency the Cavalry of my Command. I expect to concentrate the larger portion of my Cavalry in your vicinity as soon as the change is effected. . . . Gen. Brooks will be sent forward according to your sentence." With details as to the hiring of Scouts, etc. 1 page, 4to. Hd. Qrs., Jackson, Tenn., Aug. 20, 1862. \$4.50

164. MCCLERNAND, GEN. J. A. Original Autograph Telegram signed to Gen. Ross at Bolivar. "*I had sent out Cavalry before your Dispatch arrived. Instructed them to go through the Country infested and to Estanola.*" 4to. Jackson, Aug. 10th. \$2.50

165. MCCLERNAND, GEN. J. A. Original Telegram to Gen. Ross: "*Ross. You will keep your Telegraph Office Open tonight. John A. McClernand.*" 4to. (Jackson, 1863.) \$2.00

166. MCCLERNAND, GEN. J. A. Original Telegram signed to Gen. Ross. "*I have no objection to the Hospital at Dunlaps Springs if you deem it a safe place.*" 4to. Jackson (1863). \$2.00

167. MCCLERNAND, GEN. J. A. Original Autograph Telegram signed to Gen. Ross at Bolivar. "*Train has wired. It was intended to attack the enemy at Ripley this morning. That I think is the explanation of the Firing.*" 4to. Jackson, 28th. \$2.50

168. MCCLERNAND, GEN. J. A. Original Autograph Telegram signed to Gen. Ross. "*Return the advance of the Enemy by every safe expedient. I have asked Reinforcements. Use all pos-*

sible Dispatch in completing your fortifications. Col. Dennis with 20th and 30th Illinois go today to relieve Lawlers Brigade which will return here. Col. Dennis is instructed to encamp at Estinola and to answer any order you may make to meet emergency. Keep your Scouts out and me constantly advised." 2 pp., 4to. Jackson, 11th. \$5.00

169. MCCLERNAND, GEN. J. A. Original Autograph Telegram signed to Gen. Ross. "*My language is expressed that you will not move Cavalry on the West side of Hatchie but you can move infantry out either side I sent messenger to see Collins last night with instructions to Collins not to cross the Hatchie but he may have crossed before. Have you sent the Detachment to Loons Station? If not relieve Logans Guard there at once.*" 2 pp., 4to. Jackson, 1862. \$6.00

170. MCCLERNAND, GEN. J. A. Original Autograph Telegram signed to Gen. Ross. "*Can you rely on the forces with you and on the way to you until the two Brigades from Corinth arrive.*" 4to. Jackson, '27, 1862. \$3.00

171. MCCLERNAND, GEN. J. A. Fine letter from Gen. McClermand in the writing of Lt. Christie his Aide to Gen. Ross regarding the latter's proposed Resignation. "*Herewith you will find your Resignation returned according to your request. I congratulate both you and the Country on its non-acceptance. Your recent engagements with the Enemy are about the only relief to numerous and great recent disasters. Your friends are rejoiced at your success and none more than myself.*" 4to. Head Quarters, Springfield, Ill., Sep. 8, 1862. \$4.00

172. MACDOUGALL, ALEXANDER. Privateer in War of 1756, Distinguished General in the Revolution and Member of the Continental Congress. A. L. S. to Col. Ezra Badlam at Fish Kill regarding the Hospital Accommodation in that Section. "*I am happy to learn the accommodation of the sick is so far mended, and that they recover so fast. . . . I wish to know whether all the sick at Robinson's House and New Windsor can be accommodated at Fish Kill,*" etc. One page folio. Peek's Kill, 1779. \$12.50

Scarce.

173. MCHENRY, JAMES. Aid, Secretary and Trusted Friend of Washington's. Appointed Secretary of War in his Cabinet, 1796. Fort McHenry named after him. A. L. S. to Lord Stirling enclosing him instruction and a blank Commission for Captain Tilton. Folio. Middlebrook, Dec. 25, 1778. \$8.50

Scarce.

174. MCNEIL, JOHN. Colonel in Gen. Nathaniel Lyon's Army, Cleared North East Missouri of the Guerillas with his Cavalry, as Brigadier General repulsed Gen. Sterling Price's Raiding Forces.

A. L. S. to the Commanding Officer at Memphis sending him "four Rebel Surgeons for transmission through our lines. They were taken with wounded Rebels at Cape Girardeau, time I was attacked here." With names of the Surgeon and their assignments. 4to. Head Qrs., Cape Girardeau, May 12, 1863. \$4.50

175. MCPHERSON, GEN. JAMES B. West Point, 1853. Served on Gen. Halleck's and Gen. Grant's Staff. Killed at Atlanta, 1864. Very fine A. L. S. to Gen. Ross. "General. The Substance of the News is that Gen. McClellan has driven the Rebels out of Maryland with great Slaughter and has BAGGED GEN. LEE. The Bagging part I think is prospective, and the other like all telegraphic news from the associated press must be taken with some grains of Allowance. The Dispatch says 'Bully for Mac' so I think on the whole it is good." 4to. U. S. Military Railroad Superintendent's Office, Sept. 16, 1862. \$12.50

Rare.

176. MCPHERSON, GEN. JAMES B. Original Autograph Telegram signed to Gen. Ross. "Trains in all right. Train will leave here for your place in one hour and a half with what you require." 4to. Rosecrank, Sept. 17, '62. \$4.50

Rare.

177. MEADE, GEORGE GORDON. Commander of the Army of the Potomac. Short A. N. S. in pencil to Maj.-Gen. S. W. Crawford saying. "Genl. I came over to tell you I have a dispatch saying I was yesterday confirmed by a HEAVY Majority. Yours. Geo. G. Meade, Maj. Gen." 8vo, no date but 1863. \$7.00

Refers to Gen. Meade's appointment as Brig. General in the regular Army on 3rd July, 1863, after Gettysburg.

178. MEIGS, MONTGOMERY C. Quarter Master General of the U. S. Army from 1861 to 1882. A. L. S. an Official Paper to Gen. S. W. Crawford regarding the Presentation of a Sword of Honour to GEN. MEADE for his Services at Gettysburg, and wishing him "Health and Strength and Wisdom so to wield the Beautiful Weapon as to effectually break up and destroy the Traitor's nest which under his lead the Brave Army of the Potomac has lately so sorely handled." 2 pp. Washington, 25 Aug., 1863. \$6.00

Fine Civil War Letter.

179. MILLER, NATHAN. Of Rhode Island. Member of the Continental Congress. Brigadier General of the R. I. Militia Autograph Order signed on Treasurer Clark in favor of Caleb Carr and authorizing him to receive Monies due him. Inlaid. Warren, R. I., 1777. \$3.00

180. MORTON, JOHN. Signer of the Declaration of Independence for Pennsylvania and gave the casting vote of that State in favor of its adoption. AUTOGRAPH DOCUMENT SIGNED. Original

Autograph survey of 95 acres of Land in Concord Township, Chester County, being a part of the Estate of the late *Simon Guest* assigned by Morton as Sheriff for the dower of the Widow *Mary Guest* lately intermarried with *John Montgomery*. At foot of plan are seven lines in Morton's writing with his Signature "*John Morton, Sheriff.*" Small 4to. April 4, 1769. \$60.00

Morton's Autographs are amongst the Scarcest of the "Signers." He died in 1777, declaring that "*his signing of the Declaration of Independence had been the most glorious service he had ever rendered his Country.*"

181. MOORE, SIR JOHN. British Soldier. Served in the American Revolutionary War in 1779, Commander-in-Chief of the British Army in Spain in the Napoleon Wars. Mortally wounded at Corunna but lived long enough to know that the French were defeated, buried at midnight in the Citadel of Corunna, Jan. 16, 1809. A most interesting A. L. S. written on the eve of his departure to Portugal, to Lord Huntly. ". . . I am about to proceed to Spain or Portugal with the troops I have brought from Sweden, not in a principal command but as Lieut. General under Sir Hew Dalrymple and Sir Harry Barrard. . . . His Majesty's present ministers for what reason I know not have taken some dislike to me, and have treated me in manner and substance so unworthily, that before I left town, I thought it became me to mention to Lord Castlereagh my idea of the treatment I had received. This you may believe has quieted the matter, on the contrary, but nothing would justify the same . . . but no treatment from Ministers will ever prevent me from doing my duty, or from going on whatever service and in whatever Station I am ordered—all this *entre nous*, but when you have been so much abused, I trust you know me too well to give credit to it," etc. 3 pages, 4to. Portsmouth, July 24, 1808. \$75.00

A priceless Relic of a truly great Soldier whose dramatic Death and Burial has been immortalized in one of the Greatest and Best known of all English Poems.

A FINE CIVIL WAR REPORT

182. MORGAN, GEORGE WASHINGTON. Soldier in Texan War. West Point 1841. Colonel in Mexican War. In Civil War commanded the 7th Division of the Army of the Ohio with which he was ordered to occupy the Cumberland Gap in Kentucky from which he drove the Confederates. The Secretary of War's Manuscript Copy of Gen. Morgan's Report to Col. J. B. Fry, Chief of Staff in Alabama giving full details of his Operations from March 22 to June 22, 1862. The Confederate position he describes as the strongest he had ever seen "*Except Gibraltar.*" Of his reception by the Natives he says, "*It was amusing to witness the astonishment of the people at the passage of enormous cannon over roads regarded by them as difficult and dangerous for lightly laden wagons. Old Men, Women and Children flocked to the roadside,*"

and everywhere we were welcomed with smiles and tears of joy. . . . The Gap is ours and without the loss of a single Life. I have since carefully examined the Works, and I believe the place could have been taken in a ten-days' struggle from the front, but to have done so, I should have left the bones of two-thirds of my gallant comrades to bleach upon the mountain side. And after all, this Fastness all stained with heroic blood would only have been, what it now is, a Fortress of the Union from whose highest peak floats the Stars and Stripes," etc., etc. 15 pages, folio. Head Quarters, Cumberland Gap, June 22, 1862. \$20.00

Fine and very spirited Civil War Record. A few months afterwards however Gen. Morgan was forced to retreat back to the Ohio River by the incessant attacks of Col. John Morgan's Guerillas, and he resigned his command in 1863. His War Autographs are consequently rare.

183. MORRIS, CLARA. Popular Actress. Famous for her Deathbed Scenes in "Camille," etc. Married Frederick C. Harriot in 1873. Autograph check signed payable to her husband and two-page letter from him regarding a law suit in Cincinnati. Two pieces. New York, 1879. \$2.50

184. MOULTRIE, WILLIAM. Governor of South Carolina. Famous for his Courageous defense of Fort Sullivan and Charleston. D. S. as Governor. Grant of a tract of Land in the district of Orangeburgh to *Elias Bates*. Endorsed by PETER FRENEAU. 4to. Columbia, 1794. \$4.50

185. MOWRY, DANIEL. Member of the Continental Congress for Rhode Island. Printed Receipt signed by Daniel Mowry for Interest on State Notes. Given to the Treasurer Joseph Clarke. 4to. April 23, 1784. \$2.50

186. MUDD, MAJOR J. J. Of the Illinois Cavalry. A. L. S. to Col. M. M. Crocker commanding at Bolivar, Tenn., announcing his safe arrival in camp with his entire command in good health and Condition, without a single casualty occurring during the recent expedition. Also gives details about capture of Confederates and his suspicions that some important move near Lagrange was to be expected from them. Folio. Bolivar, Sept. 7, 1862. \$3.50

Major Mudd was specially mentioned by Gen. McClelland in his Report on the Battle of Shiloh for special services.

187. MUMFORD, PAUL. Of Rhode Island. Member of the Continental Congress. Did not attend. Autograph Receipt as Chief Justice of the Superior Court for attending 5 days at Providence "*taking the Examinations of Christopher Osgood, William Ward and Seth Arnold who were apprehended on a charge of being concerned in aiding and assisting William Prentice in his Escape from the Sheriff.*" Inlaid. Providence, March 18, 1783. \$7.50

A curious and interesting Combination of very old Rhode Island Names.

188. NEW YORK ELECTION, 1788. The Majority Report of the Joint Committee appointed by the Senate and Assembly to canvas and estimate the Votes taken at the last Election for Senator, stating the many difficulties that had been put in their way and the non delivery of Votes from numerous Counties. Signed by JAMES DUANE, JOHN VANDERBILT, SAMUEL JONES, CHARLES DOUGHTY, RICHARD HARISON, NICHOLAS LOW and GULIAN VERPLANCK. Addressed to Governor George Clinton. 2 pages, folio. New York, May 30, 1788. \$25.00

One of the Historical Elections of New York, the Question at Issue being the Ratification of the Federal Constitution to which there was tremendous opposition.

189. NICOLA, LEWIS. Colonel and Brigadier General in the Revolution. A. L. S. to Gen. Edward Hand requesting information on certain points of Etiquette at Military Funerals, which as a Foreigner he was unaccustomed to and stating a question in dispute between him and Col. Walter Stewart. *"Last Sunday as I was returning to the Barracks, I met the Funeral of a Sergeant of Col. Stewart's accompanied by a Drummer and Fifer playing the Dead March, this was so unprecedented to me, and appeared so improper that I stopped the Musick at the end of the Town, and when I got to the Barracks found it had been done by the Colonels Order or Permission. . . . Whether the Funerals of Sergeants are attended by Musick is certainly a matter of no great consequence and might be practiced without material prejudice to the service if allowed by due Authority, yet I cannot help thinking the omission most eligible because it is as high a Compliment as can be paid to a Commissioned Officer, and every thing that breaks through the distinction of Ranks is prejudicial to the Service. A few Officers certainly cannot govern a large number of men by force, it must therefore be done by other means, that most successfully practiced is impressing Soldiers with a high idea of the Superiority of their Officers over them, supported not only by force but also by every reasonable mark of distinction which reminds them of that Superiority, and everything that levels the Officer with the Soldier is therefore improper,"* etc., etc. 3 pages, folio. Philadelphia, May 26, 1781. \$25.00

Col. Nicola was the recognized mouthpiece of the Foreign Officers in communicating their innumerable Grievances to Gen. Washington. At the Head Quarters of Gen. Steuben at Fishkill it was Col. Nicola who proposed to make Washington a King.

190. OGLESBY, RICHARD JAMES. Governor of Illinois and State Senator, Colonel of the 8th Illinois Infantry at Fort Henry, Fort Donelson and Corinth. Friend of Lincoln. A. L. S. to Gen. Ross on political matters and mentioning that expecting to see the President (Grant) in a day or two, he would use his influence to procure Gen. Ross a desirable Office in Colorado. 4to. Washington, D. C., 1874. \$2.50

191. OGLESBY, RICHARD JAMES. A. L. S. to Gen. Ross regarding a Soldiers' Reunion. "*The 17th (Illinois) was a fine Regiment, did fine service and is entitled to everlasting praise and gratitude.*" 2 pp. Decatur, 1875. \$2.00

192. OGLESBY, RICHARD JAMES. A. L. S. to Gen. Ross on personal and political matters. "*Two weeks more and I shall be also for the time being, and perhaps for all time be free from political anxieties. My chances of success are very good but liable at any moment to vanish in these uncertain times. Like yourself I have no special plans for myself against all others as some others have,*" etc., etc. 2 pp., 8vo. Decatur, Jan. 4, 1879. \$3.00

Oglesby was Senator until Mar. 3, 1879, but declined a re-election. In 1884 he was again elected Governor.

193. OGLESBY, RICHARD JAMES. A. L. S. to Gen. Ross written as Governor of Illinois. "*Your letter has raised a Muss. Mrs. Oglesby read it as soon as I did. Mrs. O. says when she returns to the Farm it will be to take a supreme and everlasting rest and not work any more for ever. . . . I am truly glad to hear from you. It seems like a dream that we were together in the Mexican War. Indeed it has been so long since 1861 when we were together again at Donelson. It is a notable and solemn fact however, we shied our Castors in both. . . . If you have as much good sense as you used to have neither of us will share again in any such rings. Do you know as I grow older I seem to draw closer to the little remnant of the Boys of the Mexican War. We did Uncle Sam a fine service in 1846-7 got lots of land and some Glory and thank God at last draw a pension. A big pension. Oh what a pension. I give mine to my wife to buy books with,*" etc., etc. 4 pp. Executive Office, Springfield, Ill., Dec. 26, 1887. \$12.50

Very interesting personal and long letter.

194. OGLESBY, RICHARD JAMES. A. L. S. to Gen. Ross inviting him to visit his Farm at Elk Heart, etc. 1 page, 12mo. Elk Heart, Ill., 1894. \$2.00

195. OGLESBY, RICHARD JAMES. Interesting typewritten Letter signed to Gen. Ross on the subject of farming and stock-raising in which pursuits both friends were warmly engaged, and saying "*I am going to be free from political troubles by March 1, 1889. I do not intend to again run for Governor, certainly do not wish to. I have repeatedly and publicly said I would not and so of course I will not. . . . I have had enough of War, of Politics and of the Stump to gratify what little ambition a man may be supposed to have had when he was young, to satisfy my curiosity in those fields of Public Life.*" 2 pp., 4to. Executive Office, Springfield, 1888. \$4.00

196. ORD, GEN. E. O. C. West Point, 1839. Fought against the Seminole Indians, 1839-42. California, 1847-50. Served all through the Civil War. A. L. S. to Gen. Ross enclosing directions from Gen. Grant to move his Forces up the Memphis and Charles R. R. to the village of Glendale about half way to Burnsville. "*Gen. Grant's wish is that you support Col. Mewer who will be telegraphed that you are about to occupy Glendale for that purpose,*" etc., etc. 4to. Head Qrs., Corinth, Sept. 16, 1862. \$10.00

Scarce.

197. ORD, GEN. E. O. C. A. L. S. to Gen. Ross, written the same day on the same subject as the preceding item, informing him as to the exact times of departure of the trains needed for the operation and says in postscript. "*Your troops left Jackson in 31 cars, at 1.45 and 2 o'clock—will be here between 5 and 6 o'clock.*" 4to. Sept. 16, 1862. \$6.00

198. ORD, GEN. E. O. C. A. L. S. to Gen. Ross the third letter on the same day in response to GEN. ROSS'S Letter on same sheet asking orders about moving his division to Burnsville. He says: "*I have issued orders to the portion of my command now here to be ready to move at 5 o'clock in the morning. No Artillery has yet reported to me. A note just received from Gen. McPherson states that trains will be here soon to take my Command including those just arrived at Glendale. Please inform me whether it is designed that my entire command shall move by R. R. tonight, and whether it will move by R. R. to Glendale or Burnsville or whether Gen. McPherson refers simply to the Brigade already ordered to Glendale and the troops just arrived from Bolivar.*" To this Gen. Ord answers: "*I have just sent special order via the train covering all your queries—to move all you can by train tonight and if possible go with it yourself, the remainder to follow as early as practicable, 5 days' rations for your Command are on trains. I send my two other divisions on after you tomorrow as soon as they can be started.*" 2 pages, 4to. Sept. 16, 1862. \$12.00

Two Important Letters referring to the operations of Gens. Ross, Grant, Ord and Rosencrantz round Corinth.

199. ORDWAY, ALBERT. Brig.-Gen. U. S. V. Typewritten L. S. to Gen. Ross at Lewiston, Ill., stating he was very anxious to procure a War Time Portrait, of the General. "Possessing the largest collection in the Country of original portraits of General Officers who served during the War. I spare no effort to make it as complete as possible Primarily of course for my own gratification but also with the purpose of preserving and handing down to Posterity." 4to. Washington, D. C., 1886. \$2.50

FINE CIVIL WAR MANUSCRIPT

200. PAGE, THOMAS NELSON. Well-known Southern Author. Original Autograph Manuscript signed; a Civil War article en-

titled "*On to Richmond in the Track of the Armies,*" written in pencil on 17 pages, 4to. About 1889. \$35.00

Contains some of the Author's earliest Recollections of the Battle Fields of Bull Run and Fredericksburg, with Account of a visit he made to the Southern Army immediately after the Battles. "*This however was nothing to what we were to see. The dead men had nearly all been taken up and were buried in a long trench or trenches, stretching across a sort of Common. But I saw more dead Horses than I had ever seen alive, and as we rode along the places where the Fight had raged fiercest we had abundant evidence of what had been there. I remember at Marye's Heights the fragments of the Gun which had exploded whilst Gen. Lee stood alone by it; at the foot of the Heights Seventeen hundred men of Meagher's Brigade had fallen in fewer minutes. . . . Unless I had seen it I would not have believed that men could bleed so much. It looked as if Barrels of Blood had been poured upon the ground along that Fence,*" etc., etc.

"PRIVATE AND UNOFFICIAL"

201. PATTERSON, GEN. ROBERT. From Tyrone County Ireland. One of the five Colonel Pattersons in the Pennsylvania Convention that nominated Andrew Jackson for the Presidency. General in the Mexican and Civil Wars. A. L. S. to Robert J. Walker, Polk's Secretary of the Treasury, urging the desirability of taking entire possession of Mexico: "*Yesterday I made a communication to the Secy. of War suggesting the expediency of an Expedition to Oaxaca with a view to the occupancy of the line of the proposed Canal across the Isthmus and of the Coasts of the Pacific and the Gulf. . . . You and I agree in opinion about the mode of carrying on the War and THE POLICY OF ADOPTING SUCH MEASURES AS WILL SECURE BOTH COASTS AND THE ULTIMATE POSSESSION OF THE WHOLE COUNTRY.—If you will sustain me I will answer for the southern section. . . . On the Rio Grande I was kept in the rear and lost more men by disease than have been lost in all in the Battles in Mexico.*" With many uncomplimentary criticisms on Generals Taylor, Worth, Scott and Twiggs and concluding "*Let me entreat you to work up the Courage of the Administration to take ground boldly for the possession of all Mexico—it is destiny if you will—but it must be done.*" Also with Letter from Patterson to Captain Scott requesting that his Division should be allowed to lead the Advance on the City of Mexico. 4 pages, 4to. Vera Cruz, Oct. 27, 1847. \$25.00

202. PENN, JOHN. Signer of the Declaration of Independence and of the Constitution for North Carolina. Manuscript Diary entirely in his writing recording his attendance at the Circuit Courts of Mecklenburg, Salisbury, Anson and Rowan Counties, also contains some details of his personal expenditure. 16 pages, 12mo, sewed. Jan., 1769-August, 1770. \$70.00

An Extremely Rare Signer's Autograph. Amongst the Persons mentioned with whom Penn had financial relations are Col. John Dawson, Col. E. Fanning, George Magoon, Samuel and John Carroll, Mrs. Hezekiah Alexander,

James Caldwell, Alexander Martin, Judge Henderson, Captain Polk, Col. Neal, James Gordon, Colonel Moses and others. UNIQUE NORTH CAROLINA COLONIAL RECORD.

RARE REVOLUTIONARY RECORD

203. PENN, RICHARD. Joint letter from Richard Penn, Lt.-Governor of Pennsylvania and of Arthur Lee, member of the Continental Congress, who with Penn carried to George III the second petition from the Continental Congress. *"Honorable Sir: On the 21st of last month we sent to the Secretary of State for America a copy of the petition from the General Congress and yesterday we presented to him the original which his lordship promised to deliver to the King. We thought it our duty to press his lordship to obtain an answer, but we were told that as his Majesty did not receive it on the throne no answer would be given. We have the Honor of Being Honorable Sir your most faithful Servants. Richard Penn. Arthur Lee."* 1 p., 4to. London, Sept. 2, 1775. \$75.00

An extraordinarily fine Revolutionary Document. Shortly after the writing of the above letter Richard Penn, before the House of Lords, openly testified to the ability and willingness of his colony to resist the Home Government.

204. PENNSYLVANIA TROOPS IN THE REVOLUTION, 1780. Autograph Muster Roll of the late Captain Harman Stout's Company in the 10th Pennsylvania Regiment with the names of Officers and 34 Privates. Signed by *Walter Stewart, Josiah Harmar, and others.* 2 pp., Oblong folio. Near Valley Forge, April, 1780. \$75.00

An interesting Revolutionary Document with Autographs of two very prominent Pennsylvania Generals.

205. PHILIP II. King of Spain, 1556-1598. The most Merciless Bigot of all the Catholic Rulers of Spain. Married Queen Mary of England, the Predecessor of Elizabeth. Instigator of the Bloody persecutions of the Protestants in England and Holland. Sent out the Spanish Armada to its total destruction in 1588. Died covered with Ulcers in 1598. Privilege on vellum granted to Madam Resinibos allowing her to remove from the Province of Artois a large quantity of wheat, the transport of which was prohibited to the Public. Countersigned "Vander Aa" and with fine large impression of the Royal Seal. On vellum, oblong 4to. Brussels, 1557. \$20.00

Rare. With a rare old portrait by Moncornet designating Philip as "CATHOLIC KING OF SPAIN, OF THE INDIES AND OF THE NEW WORLD," engraved in 1650.

206. PHILIP III. King of Spain, 1598-1621. On his Accession drove 900,000 Moors from Granada and the neighboring Provinces. Long Document in Latin signed "*Yo El Rey*" conferring upon Cardinal Paravacino the Priory of St. Andrew in the

City of Plaza in Sicily, vacant through the death of Doctor Jacob Balsamo. With other Official Autograph Signatures. Folio. Monastery of St. Lawrence, 1609. \$15.00

Very interesting old Spanish Document. The Names of the Countries of which Philip was King by the Grace of God are 42 in number and range from Jerusalem to the "American Islands." With fine old Portrait.

207. PHILLIPS, PETER. Of Rhode Island. Member of the Continental Congress. Autograph Receipt signed as Deputy for Col. Joseph Trumbull, Commissary General of the Revolutionary Army for pork supplied to *Nicholas and John Brown the Famous Merchants of Providence*. Inlaid, folio. Providence, Jan. 4, 1779. \$6.00

208. PHILLIPS, PETER. Of Rhode Island. Printed Receipt signed for Interest on State Notes paid by the General Treasurer, Joseph Clarke. Inlaid, 4to. Oct. 13, 1784. \$1.50

209. PHILLIPS, WILLIAM. Distinguished British General in the Revolution. Expert Artillerist. Defeated St. Clair at Ticonderoga. In command of the "Convention Troops" after the Surrender at Saratoga. Died at Petersburg, 1781. L. S. to General Heath in regard to provisions and supplies for his Troops and the selection of an Officer to be sent to Rhode Island to procure Necessaries. 2 pages, 4to. Cambridge, 20 June, 1778. \$12.00

Rare.

FORT SUMTER PAPERS

210. PICKENS, FRANCIS WILKINSON. Secessionist Governor of South Carolina. OFFICIAL COPY, *certified by the Adjutant General*, of Gov. Pickens's Letter to Col. Cunningham reading "*Sir; In the morning after reporting yourself to Gen. Schnierle and informing him of this order you are directed to get from him a detachment of Select men. In the most discreet and forbearing manner you will proceed to the U. S. Arsenal in Charleston and then DEMAND IN MY NAME ITS ENTIRE POSSESSION, and state distinctly you do this with a view to prevent any destruction of public property that may occur in the present excited state of the Public Mind and also as due to the Public Safety. You will then proceed to take, in the most systematic manner a correct Inventory of every thing in said Arsenal and the exact State of all the Arms. You will read this Order to Capt. Humphries who is the 1st Officer at the Arsenal, as I do not apprehend any difficulty in giving up the same, but if refused, then you are to take it, using as much force as may be absolutely necessary,*" etc., etc. 2 pages, 4to. Head Quarters, Dec. 29, 1860. \$20.00

Written two days after Major Anderson had evacuated Fort Moultrie and moved his Troops into Fort Sumter.

211. PICKENS, F. W. Official Certified Copy of the Governor's Letter regarding the Erecting of Batteries to fire upon "*The Star of the West*," "Col. Walter Gwynn. Mr. Geo. W. Earle will report himself to you and you are requested to go with him as soon as possible to the Point on Morris Island beyond Fort Sumter, selected by yourself and Fort Manigault as a proper place to erect a Battery to bear upon the Ships Channel and to take directions as to erecting the same as soon as possible. Col. Manigault, the Ordinance Officer, says the Plank will be ready tomorrow and Mr. Earle will see him. You are authorized to hire such Laborers as may be needed, and a detachment of Artillery with an Officer will be sent also as soon as a Report is made requiring them. Signed F. W. Pickens." 4to. Head Quarters, Charleston, S. C., Dec. 29th, 1860. \$7.50

Endorsement on back stating the above had been sent by Col. Gwynn to Gen. Simons.

212. PICKENS, F. W. Official Copies certified by the Adjutant General ordering G. W. Earle to report to Col. Walter Gwynn and act as Engineer in erecting such Military Works of Offence and Defence, as may be deemed necessary by the Commander in Chief for the Defence of the Harbour and City of Savannah. Together with a certified copy of the Preceding Item. 2 pp., 4to. Charleston, Dec. 29, 1860. \$7.50

213. PICKENS, F. W. Governor of South Carolina, one of the most active Leaders in the Secession movement, gave the Order to fire upon "*The Star of the West*." Important Historical War Letter ordering BRIG. GEN. SIMONS "*to proceed to Fort Moultrie immediately and take charge in person of the Troops there as well as at Morris's Island and Castle Pinckney and Fort Johnson, and defend those Positions to the best of your Ability under all the Circumstances of the case, according to the general orders issued to you yesterday morning. And for this purpose you are especially urged to call to your aid and immediate appointment all the ablest Military Ability in your reach,*" etc., etc. Folio. Head Quarters, Charleston, S. C., 1st Jan., 1861. \$25.00

A most Interesting Civil War Historical Document written immediately after Major Robert Anderson, then in Command at Charleston Harbor had moved his Troops from Fort Moultrie, on the Night of Dec. 26th, and taken possession of Fort Sumter, which was soon closely invested by the Confederate Forces and surrendered to them three months later. Endorsed by Gen. Simons. Order to Gen. Simons to take command of the Forts in Harbour 2nd Jan. 1861.

214. PICKENS, F. W. A. L. S. to Maj.-Gen. Schnierle ordering him immediately to proceed to Fort Moultrie and take charge in person of the Troops there and at Morris Island and to defend them from attack at any cost, etc., etc. 2 pages, 4to. Head Quarters, Charleston, 1st Jan., 1861. \$20.00

Owing to the sudden Illness of Gen. Schnierle the Command was trans-

ferred to Brig. Gen. Simons, who with Gen. Beauregard caused the Surrender of Major Anderson at Fort Sumter in April following.

215. PIERCE, JOHN. Paymaster General of the Revolutionary Army. A. L. S. to Col. Joseph Ward of Boston telling him that Prisoners would be allowed one shilling lawful money per day for Rations, etc. 4to. West Point, Jan. 4, 1784. \$3.50

216. PIKE, ZEBULON M. Explorer of the Mississippi River in 1805. Discoverer of "Pike's Peak" in the Rocky Mountains. Soldier in the War of 1812, killed by a Magazine Explosion at Toronto. A. L. S. to Col. Learned on the state of Military affairs at Plattsburgh, stating that he had collected all available men and taken possession of all Public Property. 8vo. Plattsburg, Jan. 12, 1813. \$15.00

One of the Rarest of American Military Autographs, the writer being only thirty-three years old when he died.

217. PRESCOTT, ROBERT. British Soldier. Fought at Louisbourg, 1725. Aide to Amherst in 1759 and afterwards joined the Army under Wolfe. In the Revolution fought at the Battle of Long Island, Fort Washington and Bradywine. Governor of Canada, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. Quelled the McLean Insurrection. A. L. S. to William Adair advising him that the 72nd Regiment had just arrived and that he was drawing on him for £200.0.0 for subsistence in Barracks. 2 pp., 4to. Portsmouth, 1763. \$6.50

218. PRENTISS, GEN. BENJAMIN MAYBERRY. Served as First Lieutenant against the Mormons at Hancock, Ill., in 1845, Captain in the Mexican War. Colonel of the 7th Illinois Regiment and Brig.-Gen. in command at Cairo, taken prisoner with most of his Command at Shiloh. Defeated Gens. Holmes and Price at Helena, Ark. "*General Order No. 1. The Undersigned having been assigned to the Command of the District of East Arkansas by Special Order Head Quarters Department of the Tennessee, assumes command of the same. Head Quarters will be at Helena, Arkansas. B. M. Prentiss, Brig. Gen. Commdg., Dist. E. Ark.*" 4to. Helena, Feb. 13, 1863. \$4.00

219. PRENTISS, GEN. B. M. "*General Order No. 2. The Forces in the District of Eastern Arkansas will be organized pursuant to the following special orders,*" etc., enumerating the Names of Regiments, Brigadier-Generals in command, etc., by Special Order No. 39 issued by Gen. Grant at Young's Point, Head Quarters, Dept. of the Tennessee. Signed by Gen. Prentiss. 3 pages. 4to. Helena, Feb. 13, 1863. \$4.00

220. PRENTISS, GEN. B. M. A. L. S. to Gen. Ross saying "*I will endeavor to keep up communication with you and have sent Boats for that purpose. Your additional Rations go forward today. I learn it is Gen. Grant's intention to send more troops through the*

pass. *Trusting I may hear from you often and that you may be successful,*" etc. 4to. Helena, Mar. 8, 1863. \$4.50

221. PRENTISS, GEN. B. M. A. L. S. to Gen. Ross. "*I send you today by the 'Jenny Lind' 30,000 additional Rations, the 'Luella' sent a few days since with 40,000 Rations having sunk in the pass. Guns and ammunition all we could obtain are now on their way, and will probably reach you before you receive this. The small boats you must send back with promptness as we need them to keep up communication.*" 4to. Head Quarters, Helena, March 21, 1863. \$5.00

Gen. Prentiss's War Letters are scarce as he resigned his commission in October, 1863.

FINE CONNECTICUT HISTORICAL DOCUMENTS, 1759.

222. PUTNAM, ISRAEL. Paymaster's Joint Bond given by ELEAZER FITCH, of Windham and ISRAEL PUTNAM, of Pomfret, Conn., to the "*Governor and Company of His Majesties English Colony of Connecticut,*" to insure the payment of the Officers and Men in a Company of Foot Soldiers serving in the last campaign against the French Possessions in Canada commanded by the said Eleazer Fitch." Also signed by JOHN CHESTER and CHARLES WHITING as Witnesses. Folio. Hartford, Jan. 6, 1759. \$100.00

Very Fine. ONE OF THE EARLIEST AUTOGRAPHS OF PUTNAM'S KNOWN WRITTEN AS A MILITARY OFFICER. Later on in the year he was promoted to be Lieutenant Colonel and served in the Crown Point Expedition.

223. PUTNAM, ISRAEL. Connecticut General in the Revolution. FULL A. L. S. in Putnam's very poorest style of writing and spelling: "*Ginral Putnam presents his most respectful Compliments to Colonel Neilson and the rest of the Gentelmen and is much obliged to them for the fish they war kind enough to send me. The yarbs you rot to me about larst night you may send in to Bromswick when it most convenient for you. Ockson has bin with me tim after tim for liberty for them to go in, and now he wants them to stay but—I don't lik such shifting, but would have you send them in at all Adventure. I am Sir with the gratest respects your humbel servant. ISRAEL PUTNAM.*" Addressed to "Collonel Neilson, Crambary." 4to, with endorsed date. 21 March, 1777. \$500.00

In the disastrous period that followed the Capture of Fort Washington and the Treachery of Charles Lee, Putnam was put in command of Philadelphia. After the Enemy's Retreat upon New Brunswick 4th Jan. 1777, he brought forward the American Right Wing to PRINCETON where he remained in Command till the middle of May. Colonel John Neilson of New Brunswick was in command of the Second Regiment of Middlesex Militia at this time.

224. PUTNAM, ISRAEL. General in the Revolution. Autograph Receipt signed reading "*Received of Saml. Hunt three Dolders which shall intitle him to a Shire or Proportion of Land agrieable to his Rank or otherwise in the Company of Millatary Adven-*

turers in a Grant of Land attained from the Crown by Major General P. Lyman bounded west by the River Mississippi, North by the River Yason, between the Latitude Thirty-two and thirty-four. Israel Putnam." 4to. Charlestown, 5th Dec., 1772. \$150.00

Refers to the lands on the Mississippi and Ohio Rivers granted by the British Government to the Connecticut Soldiers in the French War. Complete Autograph Writings of Putnam's are exceptionally rare.

THE SANGUINARY CRIMINAL CODE OF MISSISSIPPI

225. QUITMAN, JOHN ANTHONY. Distinguished General in the Mexican War, Governor of Mississippi, Ardent Advocate of State-Rights and Secession. A. L. S. to Governor Scott urging Reform of the Penal system of the State. "*I have long considered that the honor and reputation of our State required some change in our Sanguinary Criminal Code, and in all my reflections upon this subject I have never been able to build up a mild but yet efficient system of punishment for Crimes, without the aid of the Penitentiary system,*" etc., etc. 3 pp., 4to. Monmouth, 1832. \$12.00

226. QUINBY, GEN. I. F. Westpoint Graduate and Professor. Fought in the Mexican War, Commanded the 7th Division of the Army of the Tennessee in its attempts to turn the Confederate Right Flank at Vicksburg by Yazoo Pass, the Coldwater, Tallahatchie and Yazoo Rivers. Very full and fine A. L. S. to Gen. Ross commencing "*Enclosed I send you an extract from a letter of Instructions from Major Gen. Grant to Major Gen. McPherson, which will give you some idea of the wishes of the former, and of his general plan of Operations for the reduction of Vicksburg. He evidently attaches great importance to the movement down the Yazoo River, the failure of which would in all probability render it necessary to make a complete change in the present programme, and to say the least, delay for a long time the accomplishment of our immediate object. We cannot afford to fail but must move surely, even though it be slowly, towards the proposed end. The Enemy doubtless knows of your progress and has guessed your object before this, and will make preparations to check your advance, commensurate with the danger to which he is thereby exposed. You will therefore act with extreme caution and under no circumstances bring on an engagement until reinforced by, at least, my division, unless confident of Victory. Better fall back a little rather than jeopardize the success of the whole Campaign by an untimely reverse,*" etc., etc. 2 pages, 4to. Steamer "Superior," Head Quarters, 7th Division, 17th Army Corps, Dept. of the Tennessee, March 8th, 1863. \$17.50

A splendid War Letter written as Gen. Quinby started his memorable expedition to attack Fort Pemberton.

227. QUINBY, GEN. I. S. L. S. to Gen. Ross: "*I have just had the pleasure of reading your dispatches of the 7th and 8th to Maj.-Gen. Prentiss and congratulate you on the success of your Expedition thus far, and hope that it may prove an augury of a still greater and final achievement for our Cause . . . in view of the great importance of this expedition we must meet with no reverse and I therefore urge upon you to proceed with extreme caution. Should you effect a landing at Greenwood and find it to be a position that you can hold you had better remain there until I can get reinforcements to you. . . . The great Difficulty we meet with is in procuring Transports. By tomorrow I shall have perhaps five that can be sent through the Pass . . . it is currently reported at Memphis that the Rebels have 25,000 men between Jackson and Grenada to oppose our passage down the Yazoo.*" 2 pp., 4to. Head Quarters, Helena, Mar. 10, 1863. \$10.00

228. QUINBY, GEN. I. F. Letter to Gen. Ross written by Asst. Adjt.-General W. Rochester in Gen. Quinby's name. "*You are hereby directed to return with your Division to the position recently occupied by you, above Fort Greenwood, Miss.*" 4to. Head Quarters, Steamer "Prima Donna," Mar. 21, 1863. \$2.00

229. QUINBY, GEN. I. F. A. L. S. to Gen. Ross. "*Tomorrow morning I shall send Col. Staring, 72 Ill. Vols., with a small Cavalry force on a reconnoitring expedition in your side of the River. Please furnish him with such addition Infantry force as you and he upon consultation may deem it advisable to take along.*" 4to. Steamer "Prima Donna," Mar. 24, 1863. \$3.50

230. QUINBY, GEN. I. F. Letter to Gen. Ross written by Gen. Quinby's Aide, Col. Rochester, saying "*there is no objection to a boat being sent up with sick and wounded and for supplies. He would suggest the Propriety of having one of the Gunboats accompanying it for a portion of the way, until it is out of reach of all danger.*" 4to. Head Quarters, 17th Army Corps, March 24, 1863. \$2.00

231. QUINBY, GEN. I. F. L. S. to Gen. Ross. "*The reconnoitring party which I sent out on this side of the river this morning has returned and report no difficulty in reaching the Tallahatchie just this side of the mouth of the Yallabusha. We must of course be governed by the Report of Col. Staring, but my impression is that our point of attack is from this side of the River.*" 4to. Head Quarters, Yazoo Expedition, March 25, 1863. \$3.50

232. QUINBY, GEN. I. F. A. L. S. to Gen. Ross. Interesting War Letter regarding the marauding of the Soldiers. "*I have just been questioning Lt.-Col. Scott, 59th Indiana Vols., who commanded the Expedition which was sent up the River a few days ago on the 'Pringle.' He utterly denies that the Pringle landed at the house of Mr. Fernandez or that any of his men visited the*

premises of that Gentleman and committed the outrages complained of in the Communication from Gen. Tilghman received by 'Flag of Truce' this morning. The Denial of Lt. Scott is supported by the statement of another Officer who accompanied the Expedition." 4to. Head Quarters, Yazoo Expedition, Tallahatchie River, March 31, 1863. \$7.50

233. QUINBY, GEN. I. F. Important A. L. S. to Gen. Ross written whilst the Yazoo Expedition was forcing its way to Fort Pemberton. *"I have directed Major Archer commanding the Pioneer Corps of my Division to go with his command into the Woods just in advance of the Iron Clads to get our Logs for heavy Rafts. I hope that by sending out a number of these to carry away the obstructions in the River at and beyond the Rebel Fortifications. Please furnish Major Archer with a detail of 100 Axemen this afternoon. He will begin work immediately after Dinner."* 4to. Head Quarters, Yazoo Expedition, Tallahatchie River, April 2, 1863. \$8.50

234. QUINBY, GEN. I. F. A. L. S. to Gen. Ross. *"I would like to see you as early this morning as it may be convenient for you to come up. I am far from well else I would come down to you."* 4to. Tallahatchie River, April 4th, 1863. \$5.00

Since March 23, Gen. Quinby's force had been at Fort Pemberton but had been unsuccessful in finding suitable Camping ground. On April 5th, having received orders from Gen. Grant to abandon the movement by Yazoo Pass he withdrew his troops from before Fort Pemberton. He himself was shortly after invalided north.

235. QUINBY, GEN. I. F. A. L. S. to Gen. Ross. *"One of my Picket Officers reports that he saw this morning movements on the part of the Rebels which would indicate either the Evacuation of their Position or an Attack. I would like to have you send out a strong reconnoissance this afternoon to find if possible what the movement means. I send out on this side two parts of a Section of Artillery and an Infantry Reg. each."* 4to. Head Quarters, Tallahatchie River, April 4th, 1863. \$12.00

As stated in preceding item, Quinby withdrew his forces from Fort Pemberton. Quinby was invalided home but returned and took part in the Assault upon Vicksburg May 17-19. Vicksburg surrendered to Grant on July 4, following. War Letters of Gen. Quinby's are necessarily scarce as his actual Field Services only lasted from March, 1862, until December, 1863.

236. RAE, JOHN. Arctic Explorer, Surgeon in the Hudson Bay Company and Discoverer of the Fate of Franklin and his Party. A. L. S. giving full account of his entire Life spent in the Arctic regions concluding *"This is a very imperfect sketch of my Arctic Wanderings during which we met with some privations or what would have been considered so by persons less inured to cold exposure and hunger than myself and men, and less accustomed to meet and provide against difficult and danger."* 9 pages, 4to. Hamilton, Canada West, 1857. \$15.00

237. RAWLINS, GEN. JOHN A. Of Galena, Ill. Assistant Adjutant General and Chief of Staff to Gen. Grant throughout the War. L. S. to Gen. Ross at Corinth regarding an order lately sent him to "*turn over to Captain C. H. Reynolds, Chief Quartermaster of the Department \$10,000 in money seized from E. P. McNeil of Bolivar, Tenn. Fearing that the letter may not have reached you the object of this letter is to renew the request that you will please furnish these Headquarters a Copy of said Order.*" 4to. Head Qrs., Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 15, 1863. \$3.50

238. RAWLINS, GEN. JOHN A. Official Letter to Gen. John A. McClernand in command of the 13th Arm Corps directing him by Order of Maj.-Gen. U. S. Grant to draw up a complete Roster of all Officers with full details of each. 4to. Head Qrs., Young's Point, La., Feb. 26, 1863. \$2.50

239. RAWLINS, GEN. JOHN A. Official Letter to Gen. Ross directing him to "*send by next steamer if possible, a copy of your Official Report into the Yazoo Pass, and your Operations against Fort Pemberton or Greenwood. Your Report never reached these Head Qrs. By Order of Maj.-Gen. Grant.*" 4to. Vicksburg, July 8, 1863. \$4.00

Written 4 days after the surrender of Vicksburg.

240. RAWLINS, GEN. JOHN A. L. S. written by order of Gen. Grant saying that Gen. Ross's Resignation had been endorsed favorably by Gen. Grant and forwarded to Washington, but hearing that Gen. Ross had reconsidered the matter and wished to withdraw it he had telegraphed to Washington, that it be not accepted. 4to. Head Qrs., Jackson, Tenn., Oct. 2, 1862. \$4.50

241. READ, GEORGE. Signer of the Declaration of Independence for Delaware, the Constitution and the Original petition of the First Continental Congress to the King. AUTOGRAPH DOCUMENT SIGNED. Complaint in the case of *Robert Woodcock versus Joseph Lowden* both of Newcastle County for non-payment of Rent for a plantation known as "*Gomley's Chance.*" 2 pages, folio. New Castle Co., 1761. \$50.00

A very fine Specimen containing 44 lines entirely in Read's neat handwriting.

242. RHODE ISLAND. Deed for Land in Smithfield, Providence County, given by George and Katharine Comstock to David Comstock. With Signatures also of John Sales and DANIEL MOWRY, Member of the Continental Congress, then Town Clerk. Folio. Smithfield, R. I., 1769. \$3.50

243. RHODE ISLAND. Receipt of John Brown in behalf of John Mason for Thirty-two pounds old Tenor, for two sixteen-pound Crown-Point Bills which were deposited in the Treasury to be exchanged. With Certificate, that the said Bills were burnt,

from the Committee John Bennet, Moses Brown, Edward Thurston and Daniel Mowry, Member of the Continental Congress. Newport, 1771. \$3.00

244. RICE, THOMAS D. Very popular Negro Minstrel performer. Widely known in America and England as "JIM CROW." A. L. S. to Weymms, the Manager, regarding a Pittsburgh Engagement. *"I have received your punctual reply and will lose no time in getting to Pittsburg. I leave tomorrow for St. Louis. By the By are not the terms you propose pretty heavy for Pittsburg. However we always agree on terms, and when I arrive we will arrange matters mutually beneficial for both parties. My Houses here were overflowing every night,"* etc. 4to. Louisville, 1828. \$6.00

"He was without Forerunner or Successor, Ethiopian Comedy died with him."

245. RIPLEY, ELEAZER WHELOCK. General in the War of 1812. A. L. S. to Gen. Henry A. S. Dearborn of Boston introducing Edward Morse of New Orleans. 3 pages, 4to. New Orleans, 1828. \$2.00

RIVINGTON AND HIS WESTCHESTER FARMER'S TRACTS

246. RIVINGTON, JAMES. Old New York Bookseller and Book Printer, Publisher and Owner of "Rivington's New York Gazeteer." During the Dispute with Great Britain printed numerous *"Political Tracts for both sides"* with thorough Impartiality. A. L. S. to Bradfords of Philadelphia regarding Books he wanted from them and Books he could supply them, amongst these being 100 Copies of his Edition of *"Cooke's Voyages"* which on account of its Illustrations by Revere and Romans is today of the highest Value. In a long postscript he writes *"In a few days I propose to publish a very able defense of the Conduct of the Delegates of ye Congress in all their late proceedings, it comes from a capital person and you will sell a great many, as I am confident, the Gentlemen of your City will purchase it with great Avidity. It is an Answer to the Farmers Free Thoughts on ye Congress proceedings. If you would have me to send any, give me your orders by the first post."* Large folio. New York, Dec. 8, 1774. \$35.00

One of the most interesting Rivington Letters extant. The "FREE THOUGHTS" was the first of Seabury and Wilkins's famous Tracts by the "Westchester Farmer" and appeared without Rivington's Name on the title. Copies of it were burned at the Stake, and tarred and feathered by the Sons of Liberty.

247. ROBERTSON, WILLIAM. The most successful English Historian of the Eighteenth Century. A. L. S. to ALEXANDER STRAHAN, the Kings Printer, regarding the publication of his "HISTORY OF AMERICA." *"According to my promise I revised Charles V and America with very great attention, and transmitted a good number*

of corrections which, though many of them are very minute will contribute I imagine to render both works more elegant and accurate. This is probably the last polish I shall give them and I hope the corrections have been carefully inserted," etc., etc. 4 pp., 4to. College of Edinburgh, 1791. \$10.00

Very fine.

248. ROCHAMBEAU, COUNT. Commander of the French Corps in the American War against Great Britain. Landed at Rhode Island and fortified it to resist Clinton's Attacks, Arranged the Campaign which forced Cornwallis to surrender at Yorktown. Interesting L. S. addressed to Benjamin Harrison, Governor of Virginia. "*The circumstances requiring that the corps of troops under my command should march towards the North, I have the honour to acquaint your Excellency that in three days the army will begin to move. Your Excellency is too sensible of the consequences that must result from the French navy and American Artillery that stay behind at York, and the French artillery at West Point being protected by some troops, not to make the State furnish a corps of 1,000 men to defend Hampton and York. . . . I enclose the letter which General Washington had sent me for you in case of the French Army's moving. If the wants of the War do not send again the French Corps in Virginia it shall never forget the good reception it has met with from the Inhabitants in General and your Excellency in Particular,*" etc. 3 pages, 4to. Williamsburg, June 24, 1782. \$50.00

A Very Fine Revolutionary Letter. The Provisional Articles of Peace were signed the following November.

249. RODGERS, JOHN. American Commodore in the War with the Tripoli Pirates, 1802-1809. In 1805 he forced a Treaty on the Bey of Tripoli abolishing the Tribute formerly exacted from European and American Seaman and forbidding the Slavery and Ransoming of the Captives. Ahmet Caramalli, the Bey of Tripoli, had been deposed in 1804 from the Government by his brother Jussuf and was at the time a Pensioner of the U. S. Interesting A. L. S. to Commodore Rodgers explaining the hardships in which he and his Family were living and asked for at least two months of his pension might be advanced to him. Long letter in Italian with English Translation. The Bey's Autograph and Seal at end. Folio. Syracuse, 1806. \$4.50

250. RODNEY, LORD GEORGE. British Admiral. Defeated the French Fleet under De Grasse off San Domingo, in the American Revolutionary War, and captured several of the West India Islands. Autograph Letter in the third person to Mr. Blackburn regarding an appointment at Christie's. Also mentioning he was to meet Lord John Cavendish and go with him to Court to have the King's Message signed. Folio. London, about 1785. \$6.00

With several fine portraits.

251. ROCHEFOUCAULD-LIANCOURT, DUC DE LA. French Traveller, Author of "Travels in the United States of America," 1795. Adviser to Louis XVI regarding the American Alliance. A. L. S. in the third person to Thomas Jefferson, Minister of Paris, declining an invitation on account of a prior engagement and seeking information regarding Jefferson's "Notes on Virginia." 12mo. (Paris, 1795.) \$3.50

BEAUMARCHAIS' SECRET MISSION, 1778

252. ROOT, JESSE. Member of the Continental Congress from Connecticut. Princeton Graduate. Preacher and Lawyer. Joined Washington's Army at Peekskill. Chief Justice of Connecticut. A. L. S. to Sylvester Gilbert in Congress. An interesting episode in the relations of France and the U. S. before their alliance. "*I observe in the Currant the Claim of Beaumarchais is before Congress in favor of his heirs, I being a member of Congress in 1778, would state some facts that come within my knowledge. The King of France being in favour of the revolution of these Colonies, before the treaty of alliance, sent the supplies for which this claim is made under cover of a mercantile transaction of which Beaumarchais was the Constituted Agent, and the business to be transacted for the Crown under cover of his name. . . . This was to be kept a profound secret. . . . After this the Committee of Foreign Affairs appointed Thomas Paine their secretary who was a flaming Whig and wrote much, he published in one of the newspapers the grand present we had received from the King of France. . . . This paper went to England and excited strong feeling towards the King of France. . . . He sent to Congress for them to vindicate his character. . . . Congress was in great perplexity what to do, but nothing short of a direct contradiction of the account published in the paper would be adequate, and Congress was obliged to pass a Resolution that the account in the paper of the present of Military Stores from the King of France published under the signature of Thomas Paine, Secretary of Foreign Affairs was a falsehood—AS IT WAS IN ONE SENSE IT BEING A DIRECT VIOLATION OF OUR ENGAGEMENT TO KEEP IT A PROFOUND SECRET,*" etc., etc. 2 pp., folio. Coventry, 1819. \$35.00

Secret State History which does not appear to be recorded in print.

253. ROSS, GEN. LEONARD FULTON. Born in Fulton Co., Illinois. 1st Lieutenant in the 4th Illinois Volunteers in the Mexican War. Raised the 17th Illinois Regiment in the Civil War and served in Missouri and Kentucky. After Corinth commanded at Bolivar, Tenn. A. L. S. to Brig.-Gen. C. S. Hamilton, commanding Left Wing of the Army of the Tennessee. "*I have just received Reports from the Regiments composing the Brigade recently assigned to my command. Three Regiments have Enfield Rifles, the fourth has the Remington Rifle Musket. All have from 160 to*

200 rounds of Ammunition. The Brigade has sufficient transportation but is in bad Condition, most of the mules want shoeing and the harness needs repairing. One Regiment 114th Illinois has but one tent to the Company and is quite deficient in clothing. Could this Regiment not be quartered in buildings until tents could be supplied, or could not the 26th Ills. Regiment assigned to Provost Guard Duty be so quartered and turn their tents over to the 114th. There are a good many sick in the Brigade and mostly with measles—should they not be at once placed in Hospital.” Folio. Head Quarters, Ross Division, Left Wing, Army of the Tennessee, Oxford, Miss., Dec. 15, 1862. \$15.00

Endorsed and signed by Gen. C. S. Hamilton recommending Gen. Ross's Plan and “DISAPPROVED” by Order of Gen. Grant.

254. ROSS, GEN. LEONARD FULTON. L. S. to Brig.-Gen. W. A. Gorman requesting that the two Brigades under his Command be equalized in numbers by transferring the 35 Mo. Vols. to the First Brigade. 4to. Head Quarters, 13th Division, 13th Army Corps, Army of the Tennessee, Helena, Ark., April 25, 1863. \$4.50

With 6-line endorsement by Gen. Gorman authorizing Gen. Ross's request temporarily. Gen. Willis Arnold Gorman led an Independent Rifle Battalion in the Mexican War and was Military Governor of Puebla in 1848. Fought in the Battle of Bull Run, Fair Oaks, South Mountain and Antietam.

255. ROSS, GEN. LEONARD FULTON. A. L. S. to Gen. Quinby in Command of the Yazoo Expedition. *“With your permission I propose sending a boat about 20 miles up the River foraging to-morrow. There is report of a Guerilla Camp a short distance back from the River at that point and I will send a sufficient number of troops on board to pay it a visit.”* 4to. Head Qrs., 13th Div. Before Greenwood, Mar. 26, 1863. \$6.00

With six-line signed endorsement by Gen. Quinby authorizing the Expedition.

256. ROSS, SIR JOHN. Arctic Navigator. In search of the North West Passage in 1819 and 1823. A. L. S. to Sir Charles Bell regarding his North West Narrative, the last sheets of which were then going through the Press. Mentions that 6,500 copies had been subscribed for. 2 pages, 4to. London, 1835. \$4.50

257. RUSH, BENJAMIN. Signer of the Declaration of Independence for Pennsylvania. One of the Founders and Benefactors of Dickinson College at Carlisle. A. L. S. being the last 3 pages of a Letter addressed to the Board of the College in the second year of its Organization. *“But let the Difficulties we have overcome animate us to combat those that are before us. One thing is certain, that to believe it possible for us to succeed in our enterprise, is to ensure our success.”* He also announces the reception of a small lot of Books from Granville Sharp of London together with gifts of Books from Mr. Dickinson and other Gentlemen, and suggests the appointment of Mr. Ross as Librarian. Talks of increasing

the College Revenues by the purchase of funded Certificates and also of selling Mr. Dickinson's Farm in York County for a few hundred pounds. 3 pp., 4to. Philadelphia, 1784. \$10.00

258. RUSH, BENJAMIN. Long A. L. S. to John Montgomery, Member of the Continental Congress, Colonel in Washington's Revolutionary Army and Trustee of Dickinson College from its Foundation till his Death in 1808. In the Letter he gives much advice as to the Cultivation and Planting of the College Grounds, and talks of the best method of paying the Salaries of the Professors. "*For this purpose suppose we allow them to divide the entrance Money of the pupils amongst them. This must interest them in the increase of the College and add the Spur of Private interest to Industry and Fidelity. In this manner I have been told the High School of Edinburgh (one of the best in the World) is conducted. Perhaps one reason why private Academies often make better Scholars than Endowed Colleges, may be owing to the Teachers of the former being more dependant upon the progress and Attainments of their Pupils for their support, than the Teachers in the latter, who are sure of their Salaries whether they do their duty or neglect it,*" etc., etc. 3 pp., folio. Philadelphia, May 30, 1785. \$15.00

Also speaks of the expected arrival of Dr. Nisbet, the first President of Dickinson.

259. RUSH, BENJAMIN. A. L. S. To the Trustees of Dickinson College. A long and Interesting letter on College matters, recommends the use of the Old School house by the Professors until a new building can be erected at the West End of Carlisle. States that the foundation of the reputation of Princeton was laid in a Private room at Newark by that great Man, Rev. Mr. Aaron Burr. Refers to the time of Emperor Constantine, the Churches had *wooden* Pulpits but *golden* ministers, but after he embraced Christianity, the Churches had *golden* pulpits and *wooden* ministers. Gives an account of the financial affairs of the College and mentions Mr. Dickinson's gift of a plantation in the neighborhood of Carlisle. 3 pp., folio. Philadelphia, 1786. \$20.00

260. RUSH, BENJAMIN. L. S. to the Trustees of Dickinson College. The Conclusion written and signed by Dr. Rush. His state of health will not permit him to attend the meeting of Trustees on May 2nd. Mentions the financial condition of the College and states that the credit and increase will depend upon the healthiness of the Town of Carlisle and protests against the stagnating waters in the neighborhood, also that the most important matter before the meeting is the purchasing of a Philosophical apparatus, mentions that the Board should thank Mr. Dickinson for donating a farm to the College also a vote of thanks to Dr. Davidson for taking charge upon the abdication of Dr. Nesbit—States that the Treasury is now empty but the lands will soon not only extricate

them from debt but prove a source of immense revenue—he has purchased at the request of the Professors the Encyclopedia Britannica and wishes to be empowered to sell 30 volumes of the Journals of the House of Commons “they may be useful in the State House Library, but it would distress me to hear that a Student of Dickinson College had ever wasted a half hour in examining even the title pages—He would find nothing in them, but such things as a Scholar and a Gentleman should strive to forget. The letter concludes by reminding the board of the Great objects of the Institution committed to their care. 5 pages, folio. Philadelphia, 1786. \$25.00

A most interesting Dickinson College Item.

261. RUSH, BENJAMIN. A. L. S. to the Trustees of Dickinson College enclosing a Copy of an Agreement of the “*Heads of the Colleges of New Jersey and Philadelphia and of the Episcopal Academy to encourage an Edition of the Classics to be printed in Philadelphia by young Mr. Bache. The undertaking is a meritorious one, viewed in every light. The Work will be expensive and cannot be executed without some Assurances of Encouragement from all our Seminaries of Learning. . . . It will lessen the Expenses of Education, it will save a large sum of money annually to our Country and lastly it will render the Classics less improper for young men* BY EXCLUDING FROM THEM ALL THOSE PARTS AND PASSAGES THAT ARE PROFANE OR INDELICATE. Speaking of the “paucity of Cash” and his Temporary failure to raise Subscriptions in behalf of the College he says. “*The Presbyterians in this City think themselves more interested in the Prosperity of the College of Carlisle. The Germans have now a College of their own to support at Lancaster, and the Episcopalians, who have been the principal Contributors to our College, have lately centred all their Liberality upon their own Academy,*” etc., etc. 3 pp. Philadelphia, Nov. 9, 1788. \$20.00

262. SCHOFIELD, J. M. Westpoint 1853. Major-General in command of the Army of the Ohio, with Sherman in Georgia. Typewritten L. S. to Gen. Ross written upon the occasion of his retirement from the command of the Army “*I recall vividly the time of our First Meeting at Frederickstown in 1861, and it is a real added pleasure to the honor which the Government has bestowed upon me that my old Comrades from all parts of the Country assure me that they share in my gratification.*” 4to. Head Quarters of the Army. Washington, 1895. \$2.00

263. SEWARD, ANNA. Known as the “Swan of Litchfield.” Author of many poems very popular in her day, particularly her Monody on MAJOR ANDRE. Intimate with the Piozzi’s, Johnson, Boswell, Scott, the Edgeworths and other Celebrities. A. L. S. to Rev. Robert Fellowes sending him a Volume of Crabbe’s Poems, and explaining the mistakes that had arisen through omitting in

the papers the Christian name of a Cousin Miss Susanna Seward, also of Lichfield. 2 pages. Lichfield, 1807. \$5.00

264. SHERIDAN, PHILIP H. Civil War General. L. S. to Col. A. H. Markland, Superintendent of the Military Mail Service during the Civil War testifying to the valuable services rendered by him in that Office. 2 pp., 4to. Chicago, 1873. \$1.50

265. SHERMAN, JOHN. Secretary of the Treasury and Senator from Ohio. A. L. S. to Hon. J. Hart Brewer regarding a meeting of the Potters Association at Willard's Hotel. 8vo. Senate Chamber, 1894. \$0.75

266. SHERMAN, WILLIAM T. Civil War General. A. L. S. regarding Col. Markland saying "*I have been intimately acquainted with Colonel Markland since the first movement against VICKSBURG in the Winter of 1862-3 when he had control of all the Mails destined for the Armies serving in the Field. He continued in the same Capacity till the close of the War and was the first to meet me on arrival at the Seaboard near Savannah.*" Ending with the Request that Col. Markland might receive a high position in the Post Office Department. 2 pp., 8vo. Ebbitt House, Washington, Aug. 1, 1866. \$17.50

267. SHERMAN, WILLIAM T. Civil War General. U. S. Military Telegram from Gen. Sherman to Col. Markland of the Military Mails Department saying "*Give Publicity that all mail matters for Sherman's Army should come to Old Point via Baltimore, have an Agent there to see that all bags are sent to Roanoke Island and New Berne here to be distributed. . . . the quicker you get a regular daily and tri-weekly mail through the less bulky will the mails prove . . . Mail Matters and Carriers to have preference of Carriage and all Citizens or goods debarred the privilege.*" etc. 3 pp., 8vo. Goldsboro, N. C., April 7, 1864. \$12.00

268. SHERMAN, WILLIAM T. Civil War General. L. S. to Secretary of War, Edwin M. Stanton, on the Merits of Col. A. H. Markland as Agent of the Military Mails. . . . "Col. Markland has managed this Department in connection with my Army to my entire satisfaction and with a kindly and fearless interest that shows a devotion to our cause that takes him with the advance of our Army, has won its respect and my Confidence," etc., etc. 4to. In the Field Savannah, Georgia, 1865. \$6.00.

269. SHILOH. The Official Printed Report of Major-Gen. John A. McClernand to Maj.-Gen. H. W. Halleck, Commanding Dept. of the Mississippi, of the Operations of the Reserve Corps from the *Battle of Shiloh to the Evacuation of Corinth*. 7 pp., 8vo, wrappers. Camp Jackson, July 4, 1862. \$6.00

Extremely rare and important Civil War Record and of particular interest to the Illinois Collector.

270. SMITH, WILLIAM. Chief Justice of New York and Author of the History of the Province of New York from its Discovery in 1732. Manuscript Opinion signed in the case of John Visger and Henry Glen against Nanning Visger concerning the Coyadoserasse Patent. With his Autograph receipt for £34.0 as fee for said opinion. 2 pp., folio. New York, 1768. \$3.50

271. SMITH, WILLIAM. Chief Justice of New York and Historian. Yale Graduate. Original Manuscript Report to Governor Tryon of New York containing the Reasons of the Council for not putting a stop to the execution of the Criminals convicted of Counterfeiting Money on the suggestion of the Governor of Massachusetts that their Crimes were committed out of the Jurisdiction of this Province. Signed by Wm. Smith as Chairman. 17 pages, folio. New York, 1773. \$7.50

272. SOUTHARD, SAMUEL L. Secretary of the Navy under Monroe and J. Q. Adams, Governor of New Jersey. A. L. S. to Judge Advocate R. L. Coxe asking how, and in what form he could lessen the Severity of a Court Martial Sentence on Lt. Ramsay. 4to. Washington, 1827. \$3.50

273. SPIES, A. W. Of New York. Very interesting A. L. S. written soon after the inauguration of President Lincoln and just before the actual commencement of the War, to a Correspondent in Virginia *"What can you be thinking of? I am a Democrat—did not vote for Lincoln—but am now determined to support all Lincoln's measures. . . . I was pleased at your making an example of the poor fanatic John Brown and his tribe. They were brave fanatical men, without money or power. The Northern Soldiers which you invite to your border will prove in the end, all John Browns, with this difference: They will be sustained by God and their country; by justice and One thousand millions of dollars. . . . This letter is written by an old man, independent in means, a friend of the South and would give them all they are entitled to, and opposed to nothing except the d—d traitors who because they could not rule and steal in Washington, were determined to rule and steal from their friends in the South, and in so doing weaken and almost destroy the best Government the World ever saw. If Virginia stands by the North the 7 States will fail. If she joins them, then all that I have predicted will follow. In such case I promise a 7-years war. The People of the North will think a 7-years war cheap to vindicate the Union,"* etc. 4 pages, 4to. New York, 187 Broadway, April 18, 1861. \$7.50

274. SLOCUM, HENRY WARNER. Civil War General at Bull Run, Fredericksburg, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, and Atlanta. A. L. S. to President Andrew Johnson warmly recommending Col. Markland for the Position of Assistant Postmaster. 2 pp., 8vo. Executive Mansion, Washington, Aug. 8, 1865. \$4.00

275. SPRAGUE, JOHN WILSON. Capt. in the 7th and Colonel of the 63rd Ohio Regiments in the Civil War. Maj.-Gen. U. S. Vols., 1865. A. L. S. to Assist. Adj.-General M. S. Kimball sending him a fugitive Slave with information. "*The Black Boy sent herewith came to our Lines this A. M. Says his Master's name is Wm. Wall and lives about 7 miles south of here. He says they are gathering the Negroes up and sending them South and that about 500 of the Enemy's Cavalry have burnt a R. R. Bridge last night about 7 miles south of here. I send the Boy that you make such inquiries of him as you desire.*" 4to. Head Qrs., 1st Brigade Ross Division, Army of the Tennessee, Nov. 25th, 1862. \$4.00

276. STANHOPE, PHILIP HENRY. Known as Lord Mahon. Historian and Statesman to an American Friend by the name of Reed, enclosing him his engraved portrait and requesting one of his correspondents. Speaks of "*your gifted countryman Hiram Powers.*" Also says, "*you will have seen by my Letter from Paris how cordially I concur in your sentiments as to the mischievous attempts to sow dissension between the United States and ourselves. The Article in the Times struck us the Public with astonishment but we supposed until we received tidings from America that there must be strong and sufficient grounds for it.*" 4 pages, 8vo. Chevening, 1855. \$7.00

277. STEAMBOAT PATENT, 1836. Letters. Patent granted to John Cochrane for inventing "*a new and useful improvement in Steam Boat Paddles*" for a term of 14 years. Engraved on Vellum. Signed by John Forsythe, Secretary of State; Benjamin F. Butler, U. S. Attorney General and President Andrew Jackson. Folio. Washington, 1836. \$7.50

John Cochrane was one of the most successful Inventors of his time in America especially in fire-arms.

278. STEUBEN, BARON DE. Prussian Officer in the Revolutionary War. Aide to Frederick the Great. Accomplished the tremendous work of drilling, organizing and disciplining the American Soldiery. A. L. S. in French to Captain William Constable, the translation reads. "*Permit me to thank you very sincerely for the efficient Assistance that you have been kind enough to render me in my operations during my command in this State. Your integrity, activity and zeal deserve the gratitude of your Country and wherever my testimony to your good qualities can be of service to you, I shall consider myself only too happy in doing justice to your merits. The Account I gave of you to the Marquis de Lafayette has induced him to appoint you as one of his staff and I flatter myself that his choice will be agreeable to you, and I am sure that I have done both the Marquis and the General Public an essential service. As my duties call me elsewhere I must ask you to continue your friendship to me and beg you to let me prove to*

you on every occasion the esteem and attachment with which I am Sir, your very humble and very obedient servant. Steuben, Maj.-Genl." Folio. Weeltown, May 15, 1781. \$35.00

An exceptionally fine Steuben Letter. His full autographs are very scarce.

279. STODDARD, RICHARD HENRY. Original Autograph Manuscript signed of Stoddard's Review of BOSWELL'S JOHNSON. Complete on 34 pages, 12mo. Sag Harbor, 1887. \$60.00

"No English Author was ever subjected to such an ordeal at the hands of his Biographer as Samuel Johnson at the hands of James Boswell, who almost seems to have been created to disprove the Napoleonic axiom that no man is a Hero to his Valet. There never was such a valet as Boswell, nor such a Hero as Johnson, each of whom would long since have been forgotten but for the other. The Toadyism of Boswell immortalizing Johnson as surely as the Brutality of Johnson immortalized Boswell, Master and Man, Despot and Helot, there was affection as well as subjection in the tie between them."

280. SULLIVAN, JAMES. Governor of Massachusetts. Brother of Gen. John Sullivan. Very fine A. L. S. to Judge Holton regarding the Activities of the Tories in Maine: *"I wrote you a Letter some time ago upon our Eastern Affairs. The situation of that Part of this State which lies Eastward of Kenebec grows every day more alarming. The Friends of Britain increase there, while those who are sincere Americans grow more weak and disheartened. Britain seems inclined to make those parts an Asylum for Refugees. They gather there very thickly and their pretenses of Government grow more bold and is more attended to now than at any time heretofore. Why we are not entitled to a part of the American Army to dislodge this contemptible knot of Villians Congress will judge,"* etc., etc. 2 pages, folio. Boston, 1783. \$12.50

281. SULLIVAN, JOHN. One of the Eight Brigadier Generals of the Continental Army at the siege of Boston. Commander of the Troops on the Canadian Border. Captured the Hessians at Trenton and took part in the Battles of Princeton, Brandywine and Germantown. Part of his Diary kept whilst on service on Long Island and Staten Island consisting mostly of Reports of his Spies as to the Enemies Forces. Some read: *"The French Capt. and Mr. Hunter say that there is a part of 2 Regiments of Hessians and two of British Troops on Staten Island, the rest are Green Coats. . . . That there is a Battalion of Hessians and the 45th British in New York. The rest are towards King's Bridge. They think about 2,000. They are much afraid of an Attack; both the Officers and Inhabitants expected it long ago. . . . A Party of Green Coats lay at Richmond, about 4 miles east of old Blazing Star. Col. Byard's Regt. lays at Powles Hook. No other Troops says a prisoner. . . . That a ship of War lays against the Light House and one which has Gen. Lee on board lays at the upper end of Staten Island, all the rest of the Ships are up to town laying to the Wharves. . . . They saw the Fleet go out and as near as they guess there was, great and small about 200. One of them*

counted 150 and guesses there was 50 went afterwards. There was a great number of Sloops and Schooners in the Fleet. . . . Three Virginia deserters from King's Bridge say that there are 2 British Batts. 4 Hessians and Fanning's Batt. and 3 Batts. of Green Coats, about 3,000 men. Have thrown up 11 Redoubts and are cutting more Fascines. They are constantly afraid of an Attack from us. Know nothing of the Troops at Long Island, Staten Island or New York. They don't send out Scouts. . . . People who trade with the Enemy. Richard Eaton lives at the New Bridge above Hackensack. One Bushkirk lives in a White House a little above the New Bridge. Michael Ryan lives 8 or 9 miles above the New Bridge about North from Hackensack. He conceals the Recruits and informs them how to steer clear of the Guards. . . . Mr. Brown says that he has sent over Spies whose account agrees with that of Deserters and Prisoners. . . . Gen. Skinner lays at Ward's House at the sign of the Rose and Crown at New Dorp, six miles from the Shore; has a guard of 30 men only," etc., etc. Endorsed in a contemporary hand "*From among the papers and in the handwriting of Major Gen. John Sullivan of New Hampshire.*" 10 pages, small 4to, inlaid. Long Island, about 1777. \$40.00
Unique War Document.

282. SULLIVAN, JOHN. General in the Revolution. D. S. Order on Benjamin Steele, Paymaster General of the Army in Rhode Island to pay John Reynolds, Clothier General, \$10,000, for the use of his department. With other official signatures. Folio. Providence, 1778. \$6.00

283. TALLMADGE, BENJAMIN. Distinguished Officer in the Revolution and Member of Washington's Military Family. Had Custody of Major André from his capture till his execution. A. D. S. Military Receipt given whilst Major in the Second Light Dragoons. "*This Certifies that Mr. Justin Hobart has supplied fourteen men belonging to Second Regiment L. D. with Barracking and fire wood six days while in command by order of his Excellency GEN. WASHINGTON. Benj. Tallmadge, Mayor, 2d L. D.*" Small 4to. Fairfield, Nov. 30, 1780. \$15.00
Interesting Fairfield Association Item.

284. TALLMADGE, BENJAMIN. Colonel in the Revolution. Yale Graduate 1773. At the Battles of Short Hills, Brandywine, Germantown and Fort George. Had Custody of André until his execution. A. L. S. to his Brother-in-Law, Wm. Crosby regarding a Government Claim and says "*Tell Sister Clarkson, if she believes it would have any beneficial tendency to forward this Claim to let the President (Madison) know that your Wife is the Daughter of his quondam sweetheart Miss Catharine Floyd, that I will wait on him with her congratulations.*" 2 pages, 4to. Washington, 1814. \$6.00

Col. Tallmadge and Wm. Crosby both married daughters of William Floyd the Signer.

285. TAYLOR, BAYARD. Poet, Traveller and American Minister at Berlin, 1878. Interesting A. L. S. to Prof. Willard Fiske at Cornell marked "*Confidential*" and referring to his appointment by **Hayes as German Minister** and alluding to the great number of persons who wished to be his Secretary. "*Boyesen has just been here and brings me later news of you. The tide of Congratulations has not yet ceased. I have written somewhere about 250 acknowledgments since Sunday last, and still they come. I have already had about 25 applications for Secretaryships, when I have none to give—the Administration reserves to itself the right to make all subordinate appointments. . . . Lowell for instance wanted young Henry James for his Secretary but the Government appointed Adees instead. . . . I am writing as if sure of my own Confirmation which is perhaps indiscreet. However I only get good news from Washington. Evarts writes to me that it will not be delayed, but I can't go to Washington until afterwards,*" etc., etc. 3 pages, 8vo. New York, 1878. \$60.00

Long and Confidential Letter referring to the various Candidates for the Position in question.

FINE ZACHARY TAYLOR PORTRAIT WITH A. L. S.

286. TAYLOR, ZACHARY. In May, 1847, JESSE ATWOOD, the well-known Philadelphia portrait painter, journeyed to Monterey to paint in oils the portrait of the Hero of Fort Harrison, 1812, Palo Alto, 1846; Resaca de la Palma, 1846; Monterey and Buena Vista, 1847. The artist produced a life-like bust portrait of the General in Military uniform. Size about 20 inches by 24 inches in fine gilt frame of the period. The picture is accompanied by a very characteristic Autograph Letter Signed from the Future President to the Artist. It reads. "*Head Quarters, Army of Occupation Camp near Monterey, Mexico, May 31st, 1847. Mr. J. Atwood. Dear Sir. Before leaving here on your return home I must tender you my sincere thanks for I fear, the undeserved compliments, you have paid me in the danger, fatigue, labor and trouble you have undergone and encountered in travelling from the City of Philadelphia to this place, for the purpose of painting my portrait, and having completed the same, THE FIRST EVER TAKEN OF ME BY ANY ARTIST, and being about to leave us on your return, I take this opportunity of wishing you a safe, speedy and pleasant trip to the Bosom of your Family and Friends, and wishing you continued health and prosperity, I remain with considerations of high Respect and Esteem your obedient Servant. Z. TAYLOR.*" The price of the Letter and portrait is \$2,000.00.

A SPLENDID RELIC OF ONE OF AMERICA'S GREATEST SOLDIERS.

EARLY AUTOGRAPH COLLECTORS

287. THOMPSON, JOHN REUBEN. Of Virginia. Poet and Editor of the "Southern Literary Messenger" the leading Literary

Journal of the day. Very interesting A. L. S. to Ben Perley Poore, the famous Washington Journalist. Writes at great length on the subject of Autograph Collecting in which both were immensely interested. "*Touching Autographs what can we do for each other? I want a Byron, above all things, for my English Poets. Also Crabbe, Shelley, Coleridge, Keats, Rogers, Wolfe, Croly, etc. — a long and hopeless list, you say! But then recollect I have Tom Moore, Campbell, James and Horace Smith, Charles Lamb (as much a poet as any of them), a little wee fragment of Burns and a Poem of Addison. What think you too of Burke, Pitt, Fox and Sheridan? What could you afford for letters of Jefferson, Monroe, John Randolph and Alex. Hamilton, to which might be added a MS. of Washington himself?*" etc., etc. Closely written on 2 pages, 8vo. Richmond, 1852. \$8.50

288. TOWNSHEND, CHARLES. Chancellor of the Exchequer under Lord Chatham. A. L. S. to DR. ADAM SMITH, the Author of "The Wealth of Nations," offering him the Position of Tutor to the Duke of Buccleugh, afterwards the Fifth Duke of Queensberry. In the letter he reflects rather scathingly on Dr. Smith's very extreme caution in accepting his terms. At the time of writing Townshend was a Member of the Opposition Party and he concludes: "*As to the Ferment of Faction, I am not in it: Perhaps we may not agree in our Definition of that vague Word, but you will give me Leave to say a Man of Honour, Worth, System and Principle may oppose the present Ministry without being factious, and Ministry may in some cases be itself a Faction.*" 3 pages and address. 4to. London, 1764. \$15.00

In 1766 Townshend took Office under Chatham but opposed his India Policy and "Pledged himself to find a Revenue in America" in 1767, in the same year suspended the legislative functions of the New York Assembly and established Commissions of Customs in America and Port Duties, but he did not live to see the results. His Eloquence by some of the best judges was placed above that of Burke.

289. TRUMBULL, JONATHAN. Paymaster in the Patriot Army and Aide to Gen. Washington. A. D. S. Vote of the Connecticut State Society of the Cincinnati, drawn up and signed by Trumbull as Secretary to the effect that "*the Interests of the Funds of the Society so far as necessary, be drawn and applied towards the discharge of the present existing Debt of the Society.*" 4to. July 3, 1788. \$7.50

"THE HEATHEN ABORIGINES AND THEIR WHITE BRETHREN"

290. TRUMBULL, JONATHAN. A. L. S. to Benjamin Trumbull, the Historian, discussing at great length the Revolutionary Tendencies of the Times amongst the European Nations; "*As to our own Country, I have ever wished that our Progress in Settlement and Cultivation and an extension into the Wilderness might*

be so gradual, as that, from its compactness from time to time, our people might be enabled to carry with them, not only the benefits of regular Government, but the inestimable hopes of the Blessed Gospel and its Ordinances. . . . Whether these means will ever produce any happy effects towards the Heathen of this Country I am in much doubt: but doubts perhaps should not too much damp our Exertions even for their best interests. We can use means, but their success must be left to the Wisdom of our Universal Parent. But from the Course of Providence already discovered towards the Aborigines of our Country I should rather imagine them to be destined to melt away before the Approach of their more enlightened White Brethren; and to be completely swept from the Face of that Land, which they have so greatly and for so long a time polluted, with their Idolatry and Impurities," etc., etc. 3 pages, folio. Lebanon, 1798. \$17.50

291. THOMPSON, M. JEFF. Confederate Brigadier-General. Interesting A. L. S. to Gen. Ross inquiring as to Gen. Ross's intentions about some prisoners held by him at Camp Girardeau. "*I would be pleased to know in what light you regard the prisoners or persons, your forces have lately captured at Bloomfield and other portions of my district, whether as Citizens or Soldiers? I allude to those who have been Soldiers in the Missouri State Guard, but who have been disbanded. Citizen Herr formerly Major of the 5th Regt. Infantry bears this communication, and will return with the Answer. Major Herr will make any arrangements for exchange and can explain more fully my wishes in the case than I can express in a short business letter.*" Also signed by J. R. Purvis, Asst. Adjutant General. 4to. Head Quarters, Missouri State Guard, Camp Madrid, Jan. 27, 1862. \$12.00

Merriwether Jeff Thompson was one of the most interesting Actors in the Confederate cause. Educated in the public schools he became Mayor of St. Joseph, Mo., raised the Missouri State Guards and was a most successful scout and partisan Officer and achieved frequent successes by Strategy and daring against greatly superior forces. He recruited his Command personally, and as a rule clothed, armed and fed them without expense to the Confederate Government. His War Letters are scarce.

292. VARNUM, JAMES MITCHELL. Member of the Continental Congress for Rhode Island and General in the Revolution. Prominent at White Plains, Red Bank, Valley Forge and the Battle of Rhode Island. Advocated the raising of Negro Troops. Urgent A. L. S. to the Speaker of Rhode Island strongly impressing upon him the necessity of an Embargo, "*to prevent the People from going in private Ships of War out of the State till the Continental Battalions were filled.*" Also says: "*More than one Hundred Blankets are immediately wanted to compleat the next Detachment of Troops to meet Genl. Washington.*" 4to. South Kingston, 1777. \$15.00

Fine and Rare War Letter.

293. VERNON, SIR EDWARD. British Admiral in command of the West Indies Fleet. Took Panama, Porto Bello, Fort Chagres and other important Spanish Possessions. D. S. Certificate regarding the Victualling of the Ships. 2 pp., folio. Leghorn. On Board H. M. Ship "Lyne," 1758. \$12.00

Laurence, the Elder Brother of George Washington named his Virginia Estate, MOUNT VERNON, in honor of Admiral Vernon.

294. VESTRIS, MADAME ELIZABETH. An Unrivalled Stage Singer. Married Charles James Mathews, the Actor and Dramatist. Visited America with him in 1858. A. L. S. to John Fawcett, her Manager saying: *"Will you have the Kindness to drop me a line by tomorrow's post saying whether my Junius will be wanted at Covent Garden on Monday next. I should prefer if possible not playing before Tuesday. Can I do anything for you or yours in Bath,"* etc. 2 pages, 12mo. Bath about 1835. \$10.00

295. WADSWORTH, JEREMIAH. Member of the Continental Congress from Connecticut. Commissary General of the Army throughout the War. A. L. S. to Johnson and Ellsworth sending them an order on the Bank of North America for his dividend due the next month, etc. 4to. Hartford, 1787. \$3.50

296. WARREN, JAMES. Active Revolutionist. Harvard, 1745. Prosperous Plymouth Merchant. D. S. Court summons issued for JOHN and EDWARD WINSLOW at the suit of STEPHEN NYE. Signed by JAMES WARREN as Sheriff and also by Col. JAMES OTIS. 4 pages, folio. Boston, 1754. \$17.50

A Remarkable Combination of New England Revolutionary Names. James Warren's Wife, Mercy Warren the well known Writer was the sister of James Otis the Famous Orator. Edward Winslow was the first to find the Body of Dr. Joseph Warren, no relation of James Warren, who was killed at Bunker Hill.

297. WARREN, JOSEPH. One of the most Active Leaders of the Revolutionists of Boston. Closely connected with Samuel Adams and Col. James Otis. KILLED AT BUNKER HILL. Autograph Signature and three lines concluding a letter: *"We are Gentlemen with great Respect your most obedient and humble Servant. Jos. Warren, Pres."* Without doubt signed by Warren as President of the Provincial Congress which sat at Watertown just before the Battle, and which renounced all allegiance to the King of England. Accompanying the Signature is an inlaid leaf from Warren's Account Book certified to by Warren's grandson and reading *"Part of a Leaf from Gen. Jos. Warren's Day Book. The Heading in fine writing is in the handwriting of Gen. Warren. The other is in the hand of Judge Warren, his Brother who settled up his Estate."* 2 pieces, 4to. Boston, 1775. \$60.00

One of the very Rarest of all Revolutionary Autographs.

298. WAYNE, ANTHONY. The hardest Fighting-General of the Revolution. Defeated the Indians of the Northwest after their

Victories over Harmer and St. Clair. L. S. to COL. JOSEPH PENROSE of the 10th Pennsylvania Regiments saying: "*You are immediately ordered to repair to this place, first ordering on all Officers and Soldiers, belonging to your Regiment, wheresoever stationed, properly Armed and Equipped except those usefully employed in Recruiting in which service you will keep no officers but such as have a turn that way and who will not misapply the Money committed to their Charge. You will have some trusty Officer in Philadelphia to Equip the new Recruits and to forward them to Camp as fast as they arrive.*" Folio. Camp at Mount Prospect, June 3, 1777. \$30.00

In the Summer of 1777, Wayne was exceedingly busy harassing the British Troops who were trying to trap Washington, and the Pennsylvania Regiments were in constant engagements.

299. WEBSTER, DANIEL. America's Greatest Minister of State. Long and fine A. L. S. signed with Initials and probably to his brother Ezekiel Webster as it commences "*Dear E*" written very soon after his first Election to Congress and just after his first great Speech denouncing the War. In his Letter he speaks of England's Offer to renew the Jay Treaty and says "*I intend to see and collect and carry home what evidence there is on the Point.*" Further on, speaking of Chief Justice John Marshall he says "*There is no man in the Court that strikes me like Marshall. He is a plain man looking very much like Col. Adams, and about 3 inches taller. I never have seen a man of whose Intellect I had a higher opinion. . . . The Yazoo Bill is thro. It excited a good deal of feeling. All the Feds supported the Bill and some of the Demos. The Georgians and some Virginians and Carolinians opposed it with great heat,*" etc., etc. 4 pages, 4to. Washington, 1814. \$12.00

Of unusual Interest and of very early date.

300. WEEDON, GEORGE. General in the Revolution in command of the Virginia Regiments. Before the War was an Inn-keeper at Fredericksburg and known as a zealous Patriot. A. L. S. to GEORGE CROGHAN, the famous Indian Agent, relating to lands in Ohio belonging to his niece, Isabella Mercer, and asking if Croghan contrary to agreement had rented the lands or allowed settlers on it. At end of the letter Croghan has written that G. Weedon was wrongly informed and that he had notified all Settlers that the Mercer Executors were entitled to all Rents. 2 pages, 4to. Fredericksburg, 1791. \$10.00

Refers to the Daughter of Gen. Hugh Mercer, of Fredericksburg, who was killed at Princeton whilst rallying the Virginia Militia. Mercer Co. Key., is named after him.

301. WENTWORTH, SIR JOHN. Last Royal Governor of New Hampshire, Surveyor General of the King's Woods in North America, Benefactor of Dartmouth College and gave it its Charter. After the War Governor of Nova Scotia. A. L. S. to Don Joseph

De Tandener who had sent him from Philadelphia a Letter for some Spanish Officers whom he supposed to be at Halifax. The Governor returned him the Letter and informed him that the Officers had departed for Virginia some time previously. 2 pages, folio. Halifax, 1795. \$5.00

302. WEST, BENJAMIN. Great Historical Painter. Born a Quaker in Pennsylvania, 1738. Student in England and became President of the Royal Academy. His best known picture is the "*Death of Wolfe*." Printed Subscription Form for the Engraving by Heath after West of the "*Death of Nelson*." With Description of Size, Price, etc. of the Print. At Foot is a Receipt given by "BENJ. WEST" to "SAMUEL BAGSTER," the Famous Bible Publisher, for Subscription Price of the Print. 4to. London, 1806. \$7.50

Laid in is the fine Portrait of West by Caroline Watson after Gabriel Stuart.

303. WILKINSON, JAMES. Gen. in the Revolution and in the War of 1812. Intimately associated with Burr's Political Intrigues. Accused of receiving Bribes from Spain to forward their designs in America. Long and very characteristic A. L. S. to GEN. HENRY DEARBORN at Boston regarding his account of his Canada Expedition "*Before you enter on Arnold's Enterprize by Kennebunk, look at the little detailed Narrative of Judge Henry of Lancaster. He was one of the privates who accompanied Lt. Steele who was sent forward to reconnoitre the Carrying Places. It is an interesting Diary and will aid your recollection . . . from his detail Arnold betrayed great ignorance as a partizan whose success depended on the surprize of the Enemy. I have written a Panegyric on Burr which you shall see before it goes to press. . . . Look at Marshall and see an account of Morgan and Gates' quarrel. I know the true cause and shall publish it. . . . I love truth, I hate secrecy, Hypocrisy, Treachery and Falsehood; let Facts Speak. I am poor thank God because it has given me Liberty*." Speaks of President Monroe as "*the thick-headed James*" and as Crawford as his Rival. Expects the British to take hold of Florida with sinister intentions to the U. S. and that Discipline and Subordination are lost to the Army. 2 pages, folio. Germantown, 1815. \$30.00

Exceptionally Frank and Confidential.

304. WILLIAMS, JONATHAN. Military Engineer in the Revolution. Grand-nephew and Secretary to Benjamin Franklin. In Command at West Point. Built the Forts in New York Harbour. D. S. Printed Certificate notifying Judge Grimke of South Carolina that he had been elected a Member of the "U. S. MILITARY PHILOSOPHICAL SOCIETY" then just formed with "*a view to Collect and Preserve the Military Science which must still exist among the Veterans of our Revolutionary Contest*." Signed by Col. Williams as President. The two inside pages are occupied with the Minutes

of the First Meeting and the Constitution of the Society. 4 pages, 4to. U. S. Military Academy, West Point, July 8, 1807. \$10.00
Scarce and Interesting West Point item.

305. WILLIAMS, WILLIAM. Signer of the Declaration of Independence for Connecticut. In 1755 went with Col. Ephraim Williams on the Lake George Expedition. D. S. Joint Bond with Joshua West as Securities for AZEL FITCH, paymaster of a Company of Connecticut Troops. Also signed by ELIZUR GOODRICH and ERASTUS WOLCOTT. Folio. Lebanon, March 24, 1759. \$15.00

One of the Earliest known Autographs of this Signer.

306. WILLIAMSON, ANDREW. General in the Revolution. L. S. to Gen. Benjamin Lincoln giving him long and important information as to the strength, positions and Movements of the British Troops in the Carolinas. *"A person I sent down has this moment returned from Col. Maitland's Camp at Cadis's Plantation he is certain there is a move on the Carpet for altho he was deemed their Friend he was not permitted to speak to the Soldiers . . . he says they are in fine spirits, they seemed busy in Camp and making every necessary preparation for a March. . . . I have just now received advise that the Enemy have been strongly reinforced and that they mean to cross the Savannah at some place above Ebenezer, whilst another strong body advances to cross higher up. This advice is received from three several persons,"* etc., etc. With two-line endorsement by Gen. Lincoln. 2 pages, folio. Camp near Adams Ferry, April 24, 1779. \$12.00

The sender of this interesting War Letter later on joined the English side.

WITHERSPOON'S OPINION ABOUT HIS FELLOW-SIGNER STOCKTON

307. WITHERSPOON, JOHN. Signer of the Declaration of Independence for New Jersey. President of Princeton College, 1768-1794. An unusually long and very interesting A. L. S. to his Son, David Witherspoon, then at Hampden Sydney, Virginia. In this, after referring to Family Affairs, he details at length the Position and Outlook of the Revolutionary Army. *"I conversed with Lewis Morris this day. . . . I understand he is very happy with General Maxwell who is a Man of Spirit and who has been the Chief Man who has directed the Skirmishers against the Enemy. I was at Princeton from Saturday s'en night till Wednesday. Your Uncle is well. Old Mr. Serjeant is dead of Small Pox. JUDGE STOCKTON is not very well in health & much spoken against for his Conduct. He signed Howe's Declaration and also gave his Word of Honour that he would not meddle in the least in American affairs during the War—Mrs. Cochran was sent to the Enemies Lines by a Flag of truce and when Mr. Cochran came out to meet his Wife he said to the Officers that went with the Flag that Judge Stockton had brought Evidence to General Howe to prove that he*

was on his Way to seek a protection when he was taken, this he denies to be true yet many credit it, out Mr. Cochran's known quarrel with him makes it very doubtful to candid Persons. . . . I ordered all my Books to be put in Boxes and sent to the Country lest the Enemy should come that Way again, but at present we are entertaining hopes that they will not come this way at all. . . . Letters are just come from Dr. Franklin who arrived safely in France the 8th of December but had not been in Paris when he wrote. Things however promise very well from that Quarter. I believe I wrote you that DICK STOCKTON and a large Party were taken by our People. Mr. McDonald is come back and taken the oaths to the State of New Jersey and behaves well. . . . Hitherto every body has expected the Enemy to push this Way but now it begins to be judged that their intention is to go up the North River to effect a junction with CARLETON if possible, which was last year's scheme. IF SO IT WILL BE A HAPPY CIRCUMSTANCE FOR US AND I HOPE NO LOSS TO THE PUBLIC," etc., etc. 2 pages, large folio, with Address. Philadelphia, March 17, 1777.
\$350.00

A SIGNER'S LETTER OF VERY EXCEPTIONAL INTEREST. John Witherspoon, a lineal Descendant of John Knox, was induced by Richard Stockton's own personal persuasions to assume the Presidency of Princeton College of which he was one of the Principal Benefactors. Witherspoon had been eight years in the Country when he and Stockton, as Delegates from New Jersey signed the Declaration of Independence, whereby Witherspoon achieved the Reputation of being "*as high a Son of Liberty as any man in America.*" Richard Stockton was captured by a Party of Loyalists at Monmouth, N. J., thrown into Prison in New York and treated with such severity that he never recovered from it, and died early in 1781.

Dr. Witherspoon was the only College President amongst the Signers.

A FINE 1776 SIGNER'S LETTER

308. WOLCOTT, OLIVER. Signer of the Declaration of Independence for Connecticut. Long and fine A. L. S. entirely referring to Revolutionary Affairs, apparently written to Samuel Huntington and complaining of receiving no news from his home. "*I notice your observations on the little Pamphlet I sent you. It has a surprizing run, which is an Evidence it fills in with the General Sentiments of the People. Court measures may necessitate the Colonies to realize these sentiments in general. What has been done of a Public Nature since my last is a Recommendation to the Assembly and Convention to disarm all such as will not associate to defend the American Right by Armes. A Petition lies before Congress from a Number of Merchants of this City (Philadelphia) requesting Letters of Marke against the British Trade. The Results will doubtless be a general License for that purpose. By the late Pirating Act the Colonies are entirely cast out of the King's Protection in explicit manner. It behoves us therefore to take Care of Ourselves. As to Commissioners coming over I believe it*

is very certain that their Powers are only to receive the Submission of the Colonies, and I am very confident they will not therefore be able to execute their trust. . . . I want to hear the Result of the Cannonading of Boston. God grant that it may be happy. . . . We hear of some Piracy committed upon our Trade, I believe but few Merchants will choose to venture their Property abroad at present. We must avail ourselves of Armed ships to cruize upon the British Trade. . . . Such a Conduct if we are debarred Trade will insure our Ruin, for it discourages every kind of Home Manufacture which whether we have Wars or Peace we ought to improve to the utmost. I hope that false policy will not spread into Litchfield County. The Soldiers I understand are not paid in the Colony. It is unhappy it was not taken in the Continental Way. A few of the Pay-Rolls are come to hand which with other accounts will I suppose be sent as soon as they can be made out, and it will take some time to have them liquidated. We have with difficulty obtained an advance of Thirty thousand Pounds which will be sent. Rhode Island was refused payments for the Bounties they advanced to their Soldiers before I came here, and I suppose Connecticut upon the same principle must share the same fate," etc., etc. 4 pages, 4to. Philadelphia, 16th March, 1776. \$225.00

An exceptionally Fine and Important Signer's Letter.

309. WOLCOTT, OLIVER. Succeeded Alexander Hamilton as Secretary of the Treasury. Afterwards President of the Merchants Bank and of the Bank of North America. A. L. S. to Joseph Higbee of Trenton regarding some merchandize he had imported from Canton. 4to. New York, 1807. \$2.50

FROM THE TRENCHES, 1864

310. WOODERIDGE, HENRY H. Confederate Soldier. A. L. S. to his Father written "In the Trenches" and giving full details of the Confederate Forces on the James River. Accompanied with a large Map carefully drawn showing the Batteries, Forts, Trenches and lines of both Armies at Chaffin's Farm. . . . "In your letter you requested that I would send you a Map showing our Situation here. I am sorry that I could not send you one of my drawings; but I hope the annexed one which is a Favor by Lt. W. Grant will answer your purpose. You will see by the Map that our Battalion occupies the nearest if not the most exposed position on the line to the Enemy, our videttes being only twenty yards apart during the night, being withdrawn during the day to the Rifle Pits. Fort Gilmer, where the illustrious (black) Corporal Dick showed such Gallantry occupies the centre of the Paper. Battery Field is also a noted place, it was here that 75 men repulsed the enemy, attacking three columns deep. These brave men were from the State of Texas. . . . Fort Harrison is by far

the largest Battery about here and I believe it to be impregnable. OLD GRANT EVIDENTLY EUCHRED GEN. LEE WHEN HE GAINED THIS POSITION. . . . *Our Battalion is now minus 28 men, they all having deserted to the Enemy, and I am afraid that there are more who are waiting till after the now near at hand Election, who will leave us," etc., etc.* 2 pp., 4to. In the Trenches, Chaffin's Farm, Nov. 4th, 1864. \$25.00

The very interesting Map showing the Confederate Defences of Richmond North of the James River covers the entire two inside sheets and measures 16 inches by 10 inches. *Unique Confederate War Letter.*

311. WOODFORD, WILLIAM. Of Virginia. General in the Revolution. Defeated Lord Dunmore's Forces. A. L. S. to General Washington commencing "DR. GENL" and asking leave of absence for Lt. Col. Cropper "*under peculiar circumstances with respect to his Private Affairs, and having refused to go in the Spring when he had your Excellency's permission, is now very desirous to go to Virginia . . . he can be spared from his Regiment which Col. Morgan commands.*" 4to. Sept. 12, 1778. \$25.00

John Cropper was Captain in the 9th and Colonel of the 11th Virginia Regiments. He was prominent at the Battles of Brandywine, Germantown and Monmouth. Gen. Woodford died whilst a Prisoner in 1778 and his Letters are rare.

ORIGINAL MANUSCRIPT OF "THE OLD OAKEN BUCKET"

312. WOODWORTH, SAMUEL. Old New York printer and joint Founder with George P. Morris of the "New York Mirror." Very popular song writer and specially famous for the authorship of "*The Old Oaken Bucket*" and "*The Forest Rose.*" The Lyric consists of 30 lines and is headed by Woodworth "THE BUCKET. AIR JESSY OF DUMBLAIN." At end he has signed his name in full. Accompanying the Manuscript is a very fine and rare Lithographic portrait of the Author of which only 100 copies were printed in 1872. 2 pages, folio. About 1830. \$250.00

"Woodworth's fine song 'The Old Oaken Bucket,' which has embalmed in undying Verse so many of the most touching Recollections of Rural Childhood, will preserve the more poetic form oaken, together with the memory of the almost obsolete implement it celebrates, through all dialect changes, as long as English shall be a spoken tongue."

*"The old oaken Bucket, the iron-bound Bucket
The moss-covered Bucket that hangs in the Well."*

313. WRIGHT, SIR JAMES. Last Royal Governor of Georgia. His defence of Savannah considered "one of the most brilliant Events of the War in the South." Fine A. L. S. to Joseph Maddock regarding a Meeting House which had been included in the survey of the Governor's Property. "*I have talked fully to Mr. Brevard about it and if any other place is as convenient and agreeable to your people as that, I will give you the land and give you money*

to build another House and you may use it as long as you please, and if they prefer that which is already built I will certainly convey it with some land to Trustees for the purpose you intend it,"
etc. Folio. Savannah, Aug. 4, 1777. \$15.00

A Rare and Fine Georgia Autograph.

REFERENCE BOOKS FOR AUTOGRAPH COLLECTORS.

314. AMERICAN HISTORICAL and Literary Curiosities, consisting of Fac-similes of some plates, etc., relating to Columbus and ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS OF THE REVOLUTION. With a Variety of Reliques, Antiquities and Autograph. Edited by JOHN JAY SMITH. Second Series. Imp. 4to, half brown morocco. New York, 1860. \$15.00

A valuable work containing 64 plates of Historical Autographs, Documents and Portraits, some in colors.

315. AMERICAN PUBLIC MEN. A Manual for Autograph Collectors. Compiled by John A. Larkin. 12mo, boards, uncut. New York, 1906. \$3.00

With very complete and useful Lists of Names of Signers of the Declaration of Independence, The Stamp Act Congress, The Mecklenburg Declaration, Articles of Confederation, The Constitution, Federal Convention, Continental Congress, etc. Only 350 copies printed and now rare.

316. MEDITATIONS OF AN AUTOGRAPH COLLECTOR. By A. H. Joline. With portraits of Lamb, Sterne, Johnson, Keats, and facsimile autographs of Thackeray, Charlotte Bronte, Scott, Garrick, Burns and others. 8vo, original half morocco, uncut. New York, 1902. \$2.50

317. RAMBLES IN AUTOGRAPH LAND. By A. H. Joline. *With 78 illustrations of autographs, etc., in the Joline Collection.* 12mo, cloth, uncut. New York, 1913. \$2.50

A Fascinating Account of many Famous Autographs.

318. JOHN PAUL JONES MANUSCRIPTS in the Library of Congress. Portrait. 8vo, cloth, uncut. Washington, 1903. \$2.50

Contains 883 entries, arranged chronologically, including the valuable series of letters between Paul Jones, Franklin, and the Court of France in 1778-9, and a full record of Jones's operations in European waters during the Revolution.

ADDENDA.

THE FAMOUS LECTURE ON AMERICAN POETRY.

314a. POE, EDGAR ALLAN. Interesting A. L. S. to Messrs. Sam Williams and W. Graeff at Reading, Pa., regarding his Lecture on the "POETS AND POETRY OF AMERICA" in which he delivered some very trenchant Remarks upon RUFUS GRISWOLD who had succeeded Poe as Editor of Graham's Magazine, and who revenged himself later on by his disgraceful Editorial garbbling of Poe's Works. *"I have just received your favor of the 5th and will be pleased to deliver a Lecture on "AMERICAN POETRY" in Reading, on Tuesday the 12th instant if convenient, please reply by return of Mail and let me know at what place I shall meet the Committee. Very Respectfully Yr. Ob. St. Edgar A. Poe."* One page 4to. Philadelphia, March 7, 1844. \$150.00

A Poe Letter of the Greatest Literary Interest, written some few months before the Writing of his Masterpiece, "THE RAVEN."

"NOTHIN' TO SAY" AND "LITTLE WESLEY."

314b. RILEY, JAMES WHITCOMB. The Hoosier Poet. A. L. S. to the Editor of the "Century" who had requested a Contribution from him, reminding him that he had had one of his poems for three years already without publishing it: *"Dear Mr. Johnson. Your note is gladly hailed at last. Like yourself I've been away, and so this loitering answer. The reason I have sent the Magazine nothing in the time you ask after, is—it has had unprinted dialect poem of mine for three years "NOTHIN' TO SAY" is poem's title. Do you recall it? I've added two stanzas and use it in public readings with effect. With this I send you something I have tried to frame in answer to your wish as understood: "LITTLE WESLEY." Evidently a very homely specimen of the "Orphant" variety—but hope you'll love the little Tad as I do. Let me know soon fate of both poems and oblige Faithfully yours. J. W. Riley."* One page, 8vo. Indianapolis, Nov. 11, 1886. \$60.00

Very Fine Early Letter. Blank margin somewhat discolored.

314c. FIELD, EUGENE. Original Autograph Poem written in the Author's most characteristic Style. 4 verses of 4 lines each. In neat mahogany frame with 2 portraits. (Chicago) 11 p. m., May 25, 1886. \$125.00

*"You mean old Dock! an hour ago
You said you'd not be down tomorrow,
Then off you scuttled home, and so
I find myself engulf'd in sorrow.*

*Now should you really stay away
(As you are like, since you have said it),
What would I do with hell to pay,
When even hell denies me credit!*

*Should you deny tomorrow aught
To feed and cheer this sorry jester,
Methinks he surely will go daft
For want of some dear soul to pester.*

*Deny him, Dock, that bitter fate—
Transform his wormwood into honey,
Come early down and tarry late—
AND DON'T FORGET TO BRING SOME MONEY."*

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